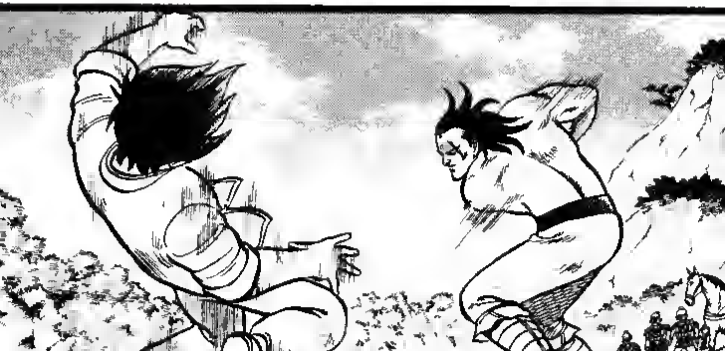
# THE BAND OF THE RED HAND

# TEKKEN CHINMI

## ZANGUY THE BARBARIAN



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THEY EVEN SAY THAT HE DEFEATED RYUHI!!
CHINMI WENT TO SAVE HIS BIG SISTER!

ARE YOU HURT ?
CHIN-MI !!

FINALLY WE ARRIVED TO THE VILLAGE.
HA
HA
HA

LET'S NOT CRY VICTORY TOO EARLY.
YOU WERE VERY COURAGEOUS TO GO ALL ALONE, CHINMI!
HE DEFEATED RYUHI, IT'S UNBELIE-VABLE!!
HE HE HE! IT'S TO BETTER SAVE YOU, SISTER!
YOU BECAME REALLY STRONG, CHINMI.
WHAT CHINMI ACCOMPLISHED IS AMAZING, BUT IT ONLY MADE THE SITUATION WORSE. THE REVENGE OF THE BLACK FLAME CLAN WILL BE TERRIBLE!
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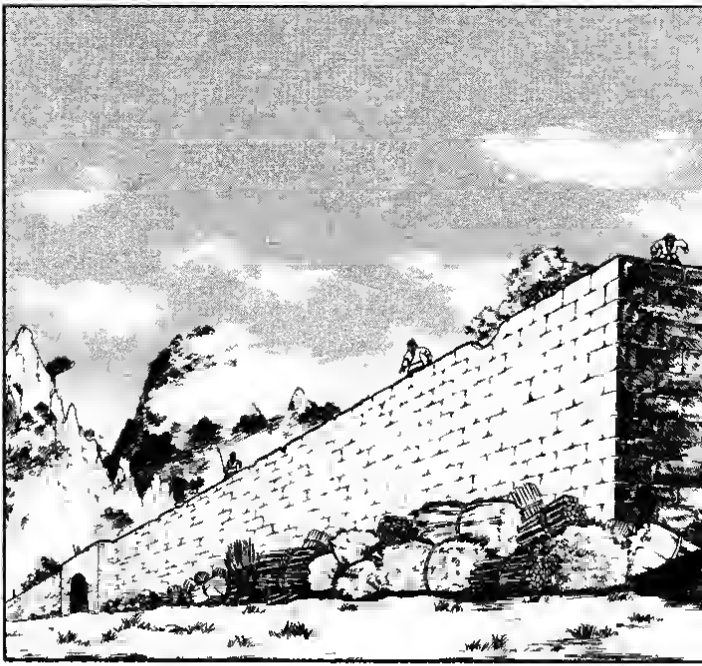
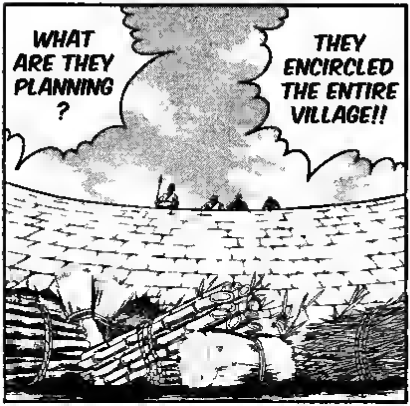
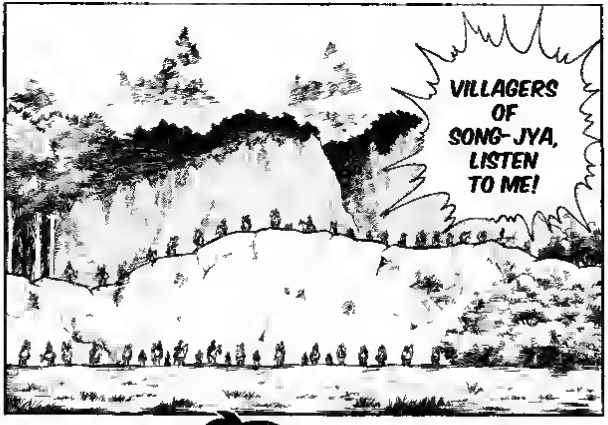
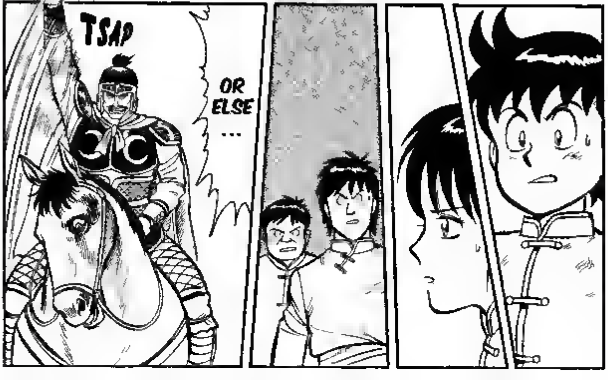
HEY! THE BLACK FLAME ARE PILING UP HAY AGAINST THE WALLS!!




WHAT ARE THEY PLANNING ?
THEY ENCIRCLED THE ENTIRE VILLAGE!!


VILLAGERS OF SONG-JYA, LISTEN TO ME!

HAND HIM OVER TO US IMMEDIATLY !!
WE KNOW THAT THE ONE WHO DEFEATED MY BROTHER AND RESCUED THE GIRL IS HIDDEN IN THE VILLAGE!!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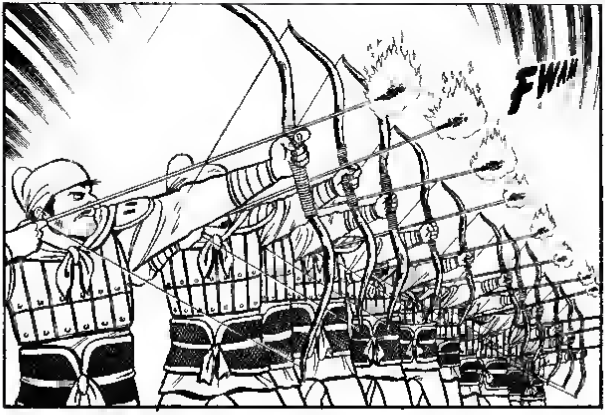
OR ELSE ...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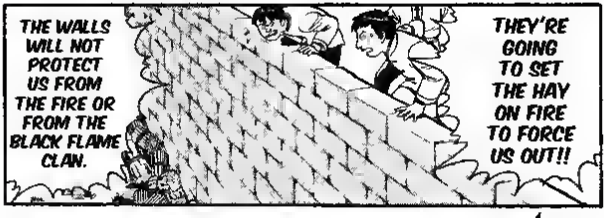
THE WALLS WILL NOT PROTECT US FROM THE FIRE OR FROM THE BLACK FLAME CLAN.
THEY'RE GOING TO SET THE HAY ON FIRE TO FORCE US OUT!!

I WILL GO...
HURRY UP! WE HAVE BETTER THINGS TO DO!!

CHINMI ...!
DON'T DO THAT! YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO!!
STOP CHINMI !!
I DO NOT HAVE A CHOICE. I HAVE TO CONFRONT THEM!
WE CAN NEITHER HIDE NOR FLEE.

BUT IT'S JUST A KID.
THERE HE IS!
SO IT'S YOU WHO DEFEATED MY BROTHER RYUHI LAST NIGHT?

ARE YOU THE CHIEF OF THE BLACK FLAME?
THEN I CHALLENGE YOU IN A FIGHT, ONE ON ONE!!
THE NERVE !!!
DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU'RE TALKING TO, LITTLE SNOT ?!
WAIT!

YOU'RE JUST A KID. YOU HAVE TO BE INSANE OR TOTALLY RECKLESS TO CHALLENGE ME.
ZANGUY, YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOSE YOUR TIME WITH HIM.
BUT I LIKE IT.
I WILL FACE HIM ALONE AND AVENGE MY LITTLE BROTHER.
HE'S FACING THE BLACK FLAME CLAN ALL ALONE. IT'S NOT LOYAL.
KLANG
KLANG

OK ...
IF I WIN, WILL YOU SWEAR THAT YOU WILL NOT ATTACK THE VILLAGE?
I HAVE A CONDI-TION!
WE WILL LEAVE PEACEFULLY.
IF YOU EVER MANAGE TO DEFEAT ME...

YEAH, SPECIALLY WITH HIS SPECIAL TECHNIQUE!!
ONE CHANCE? I CAN'T SEE HOW THAT KID COULD BEAT OUR CHIEF!!
REALLY?
YOU BARELY HAVE ONE CHANCE IN A THOUSAND !!
HIS KUNG-FU IS REALLY TERRIFYING.
GIVE ME THE STRENGTH ...
SISTER ...
HAAA——H

HUAA!!
HE... HE GIVES OFF SO MUCH ENERGY!!!
COME ON!
YOU WHO BESTED MY BROTHER RYUHI!!
HE WILL NEVER MEASURE UP!!

STOMP
!!
HU HU HU HU HU...
HU HU HU...
HE DIDN'T FEEL A THING...

I NEED TO FOCUS MY KIAI EVEN MORE!!
YOU MUST PUT ALL YOUR POWER IN EACH BLOW!!
GRUIP
HAAA...
WATCHYO
!!

FWUTS
FPIN
FPIN
FPIN
HE... HE PARRIED ALL MY ATTACKS!!
IS THAT ALL YOU CAN DO?
FUU

P-FUM
RHAA
AAH
!!
HE'S GOING TO DO IT!
WHHN
YUK

WHUMP
THUMP

SUT
IS THAT ALL? NOT A VERY EFFECTIVE ATTACK.
HE HEY!

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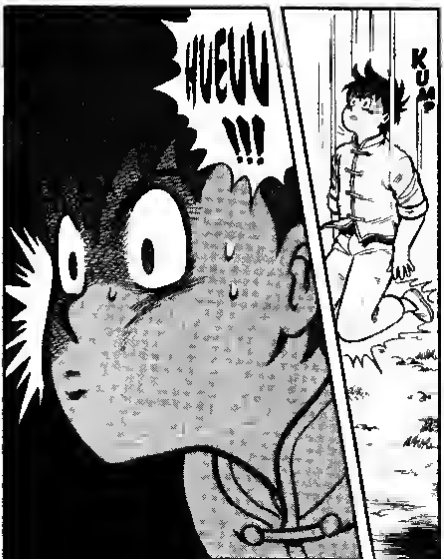

HUEUU
!!!
KUM

HUARG !!
BEUAAARR
ZZZ
ZZZ
HUURG
HU...
!!
GU...
GUAAH
!!!

BURP
GLUP!!
GLUH
PTEUH
TREUUH
I'M HOT!!
MY STOMACH BURNS!!
HE DID IT! LORD ZANGUY USED THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN!!

THIS TECHNIQUE WILL DISTA-BILIZE THE INNER ENERGY.
IN SHORT
THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN?
HA HA HA HA
HA HA HA
IT LOOKS LIKE A SIMPLE HIT.
BUT IT UNLEASHES A SHOCKWAVE WITHIN THE BODY.
IT'S NOT A TECHNIQUE TO HURT. BUT TO DESTROY THE INNER VITAL ORGANS.

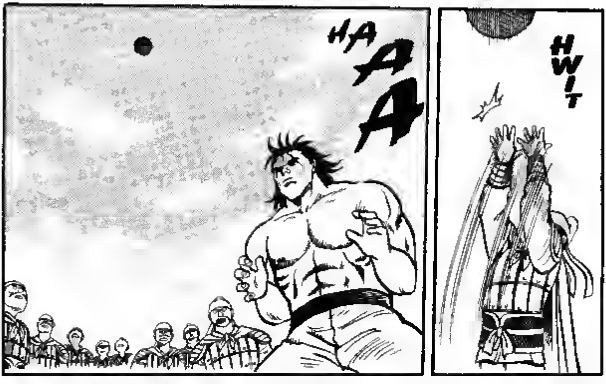
SUCH A KUNG-FU TECHNIQUE REALLY EXISTS ?
TO DESTROY THE ORGANS RATHER THAN TO HURT...
STUMP
HERE! IT'S EASIER TO EXPLAIN LIKE THIS!

CIAAT !!
PATRAK
KHAK
GWEUU !!
THEUH DEHEUU
HUR... BUAAR ...!!

HA
HA
HA
FLUP
I'M NOT DONE YET.
I THOUGHT YOU WOULD BE MORE RESILIENT.
BUT THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING ...
I WILL SHOW YOU THE TERRIFYING POWER OF THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN!!

HU HU HU HU...
BUT SURELY IT CAN'T GET ANY WORSE THAN THIS?
IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING ?
YES!
YOU! BRING ME THAT!!

A WATERMELON?
TFOM
THROW IT
WATCH CAREFULLY !!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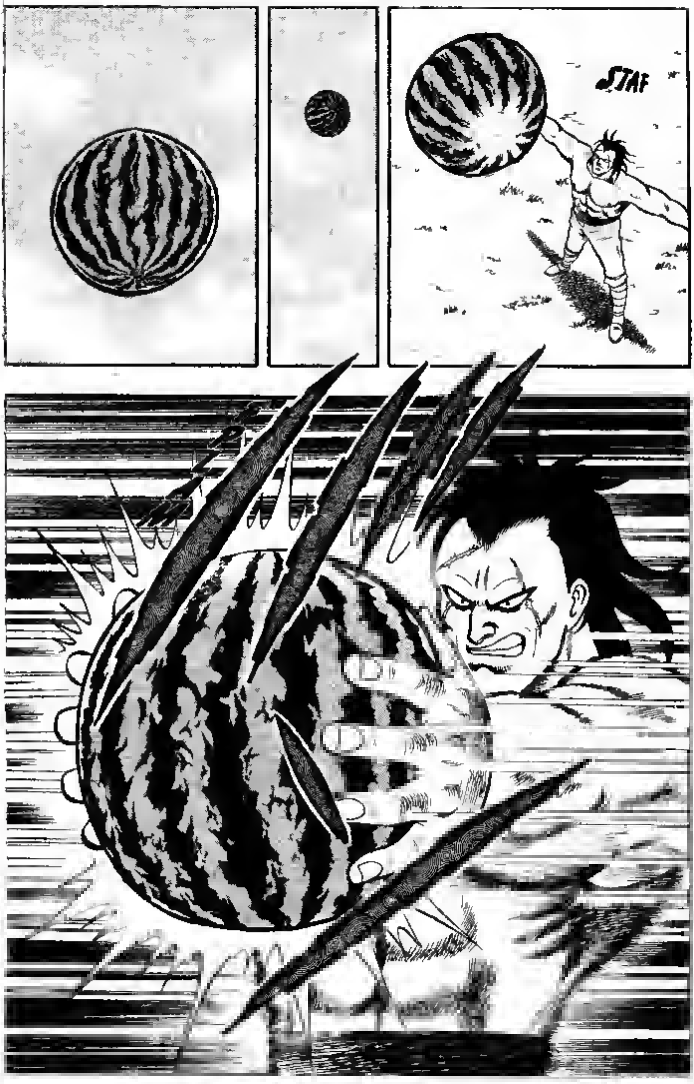
HWIT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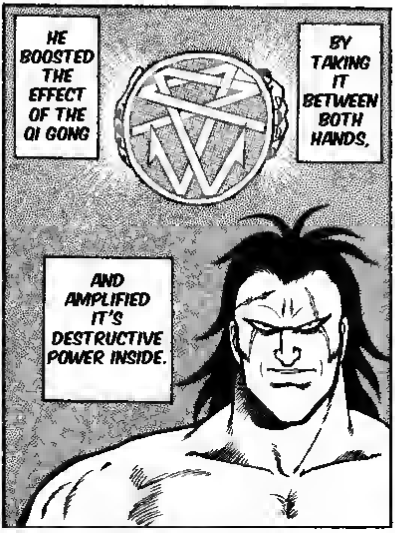
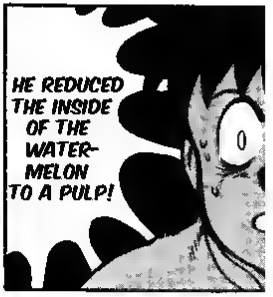
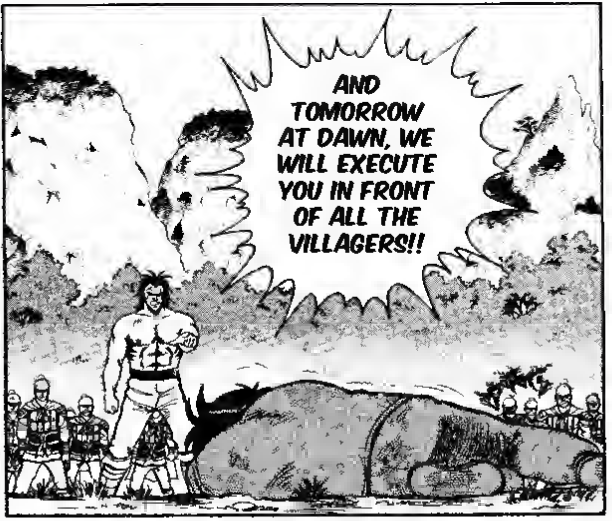
FU
ME TOO I COULD DO THAT!
HE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING SPECIAL...
TSHUF
THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN I USED EARLIER HAD AN EFFECT IN ONE DIRECTION ONLY. THIS ONE IS DIFFERENT...
TLAF
SPAT

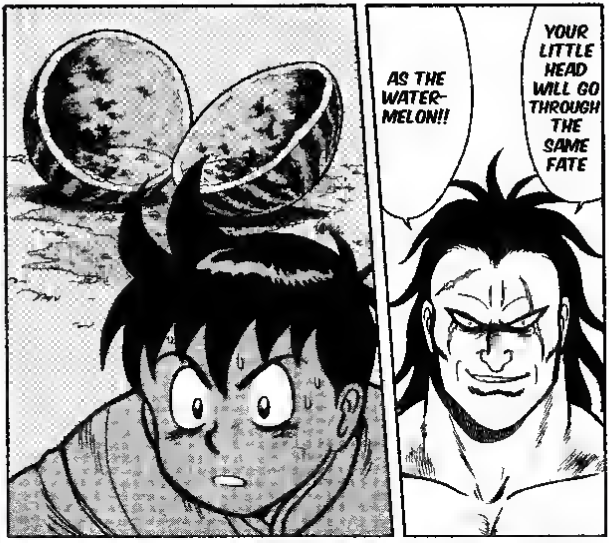
FLOCH!!!


HE BOOSTED THE EFFECT OF THE QI GONG
BY TAKING IT BETWEEN BOTH HANDS,
AND AMPLIFIED IT'S DESTRUCTIVE POWER INSIDE.


HE REDUCED THE INSIDE OF THE WATER-MELON TO A PULP!

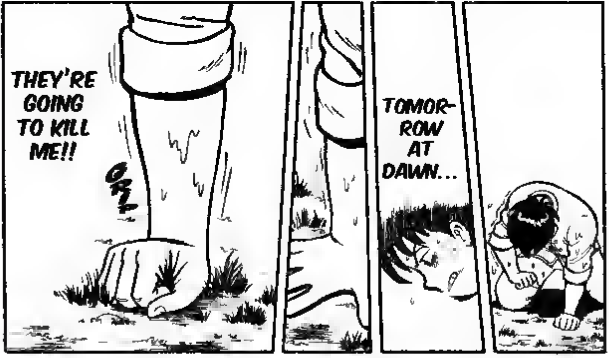
LORD ZANGUY, WHAT DO WE DO WITH HIM?
I CANNOT WIN... HE'S MUCH STRONGER THAN ME!!
UUNG
HIS ENTRAILS MUST BE ALL MUSHED UP.
HE WON'T MOVE ANY-MORE TODAY.
I WILL NOT KILL HIM RIGHT NOW.
LET HIM WHINE AND SUFFER ALL NIGHT.
I WILL MAKE YOU PAY TEN TIMES WHAT YOU DID TO MY BROTHER RYUHI!


AND TOMORROW AT DAWN, WE WILL EXECUTE YOU IN FRONT OF ALL THE VILLAGERS!!

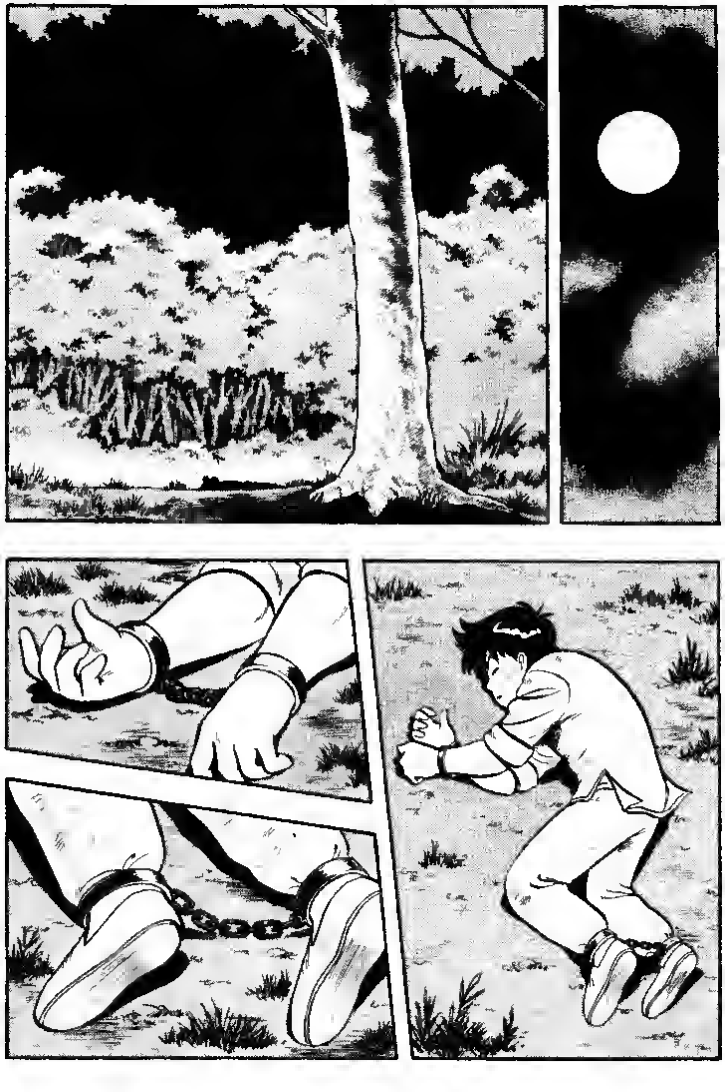

AS THE WATER-MELON!!
YOUR LITTLE HEAD WILL GO THROUGH THE SAME FATE

MEAN-
WHILE,
HAVE A
GOOD
NIGHT!

HAHAHA
WAHAHA!!


THEY'RE GOING TO KILL ME!!
GRL
TOMOR-ROW AT DAWN...

MEILIN !
EVERYONE FROM THE TEMPLE...



I'M...
I'M STILL
ALIVE
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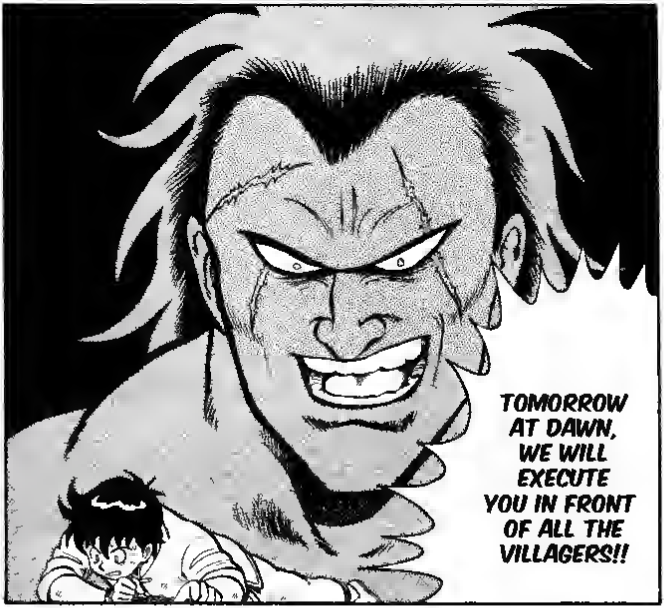
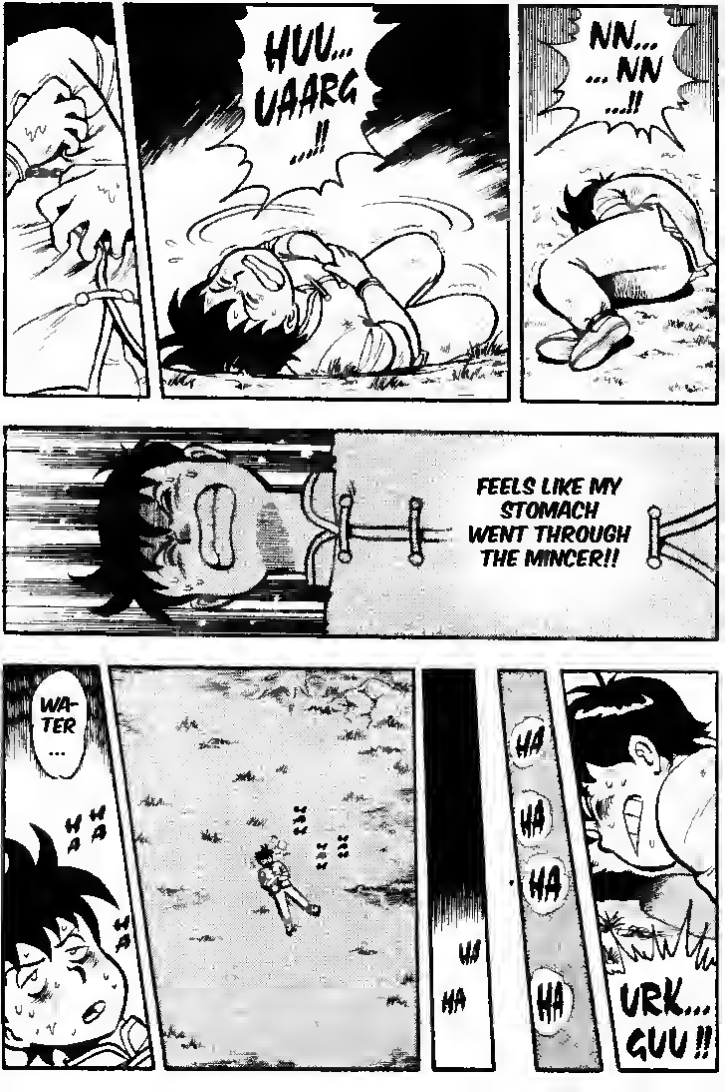
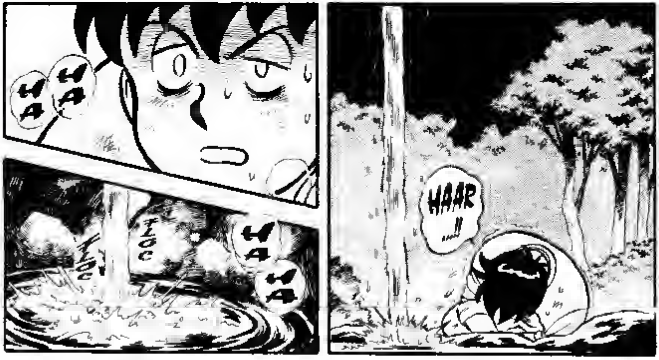

TOMORROW AT DAWN, WE WILL EXECUTE YOU IN FRONT OF ALL THE VILLAGERS!!

FLUK
HUHHH

HOW LONG UNTIL DAWN?


HUU... UAARG ...!!
NN... ... NN ...!!
FEELS LIKE MY STOMACH WENT THROUGH THE MINCER!!
WA-TER ...
HA HA HA
HA HA
HA HA HA
URK... GUU!!

THERE, SOME WA-TER!!
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
UUUU!!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TOC
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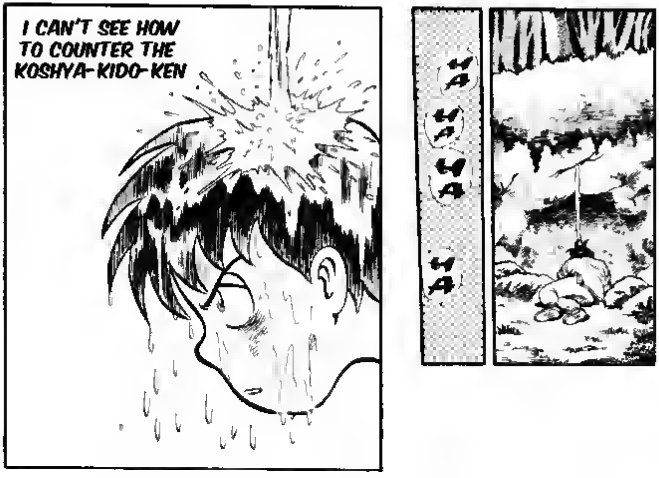
HA
HAAR
...!!

SHAP
SHAP
HA
HA


I CAN'T SEE HOW TO COUNTER THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN
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HA
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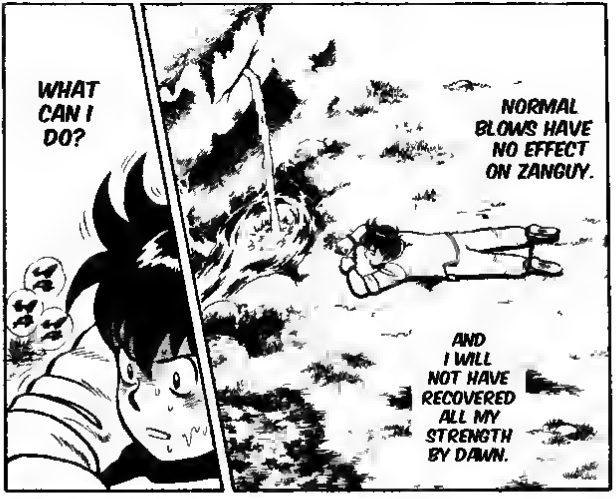
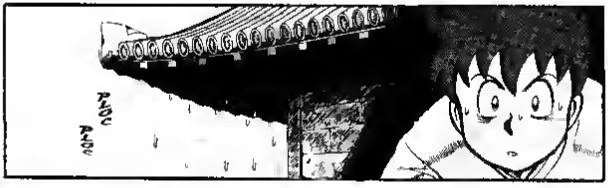
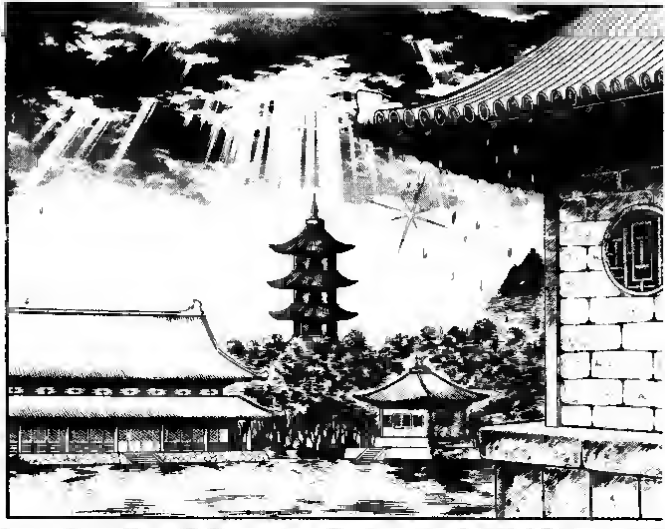

WHAT CAN I DO?
NORMAL BLOWS HAVE NO EFFECT ON ZANGUY.
AND I WILL NOT HAVE RECOVERED ALL MY STRENGTH BY DAWN.

HOUH HOUH
NGG UH...

PLOC PLOC PLOC
PLOC PLOC PLOC PLOC

THE WATER DROPS DUG A HOLE IN THE STONE ...


PLOP PLOP



TELL ME, CHIN-MI.
FWUT
FWUT
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FWUT
FWUT
FWUT
HUH?
CAN YOU COME TO LOOK AT THIS?
ABBOT
WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO SEE ?
THERE, LOOK
THE HOLE IN THE STONE SLAB.

DO YOU KNOW HOW IT FORMED ?
WHAT ABOUT IT?
PLIC
PLIC
YES, EXACTLY
THE RAIN WATER DROPS ?
AND SINCE IT'S BEEN HAPPENING FOR DOZENS OF YEARS, THEY FORMED THIS DEPRESSION.
EACH TIME IT'S RAINING, THE WATER DROPS FALL ON THIS SLAB, AT THE SAME PLACE.
WHAT IS THE LESSON IN THIS CASE?
IN ORDER TO LEARN KUNG-FU ONE NEEDS TO KNOW HOW TO OBSERVE THE NATURE AND THE LESSONS IT GIVES US

IT'S BECAUSE THEY FOCUSED THEIR POWER ON A SINGLE POINT.
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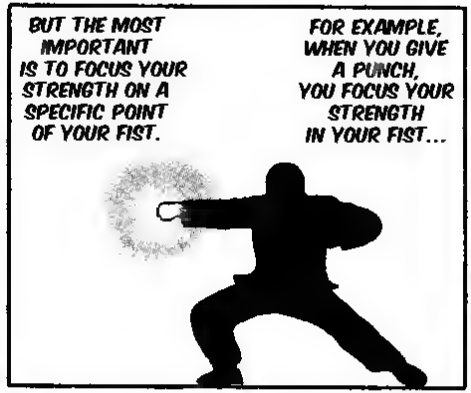
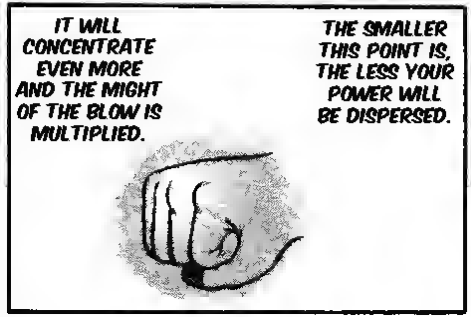
BY FALLING ALWAYS ON THE SAME SPOT, THE RAIN DROPS FORMED A HOLE.


BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT IS TO FOCUS YOUR STRENGTH ON A SPECIFIC POINT OF YOUR FIST.
FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN YOU GIVE A PUNCH, YOU FOCUS YOUR STRENGTH IN YOUR FIST...


IT WILL CONCENTRATE EVEN MORE AND THE MIGHT OF THE BLOW IS MULTIPLIED.
THE SMALLER THIS POINT IS, THE LESS YOUR POWER WILL BE DISPERSED.

FOCUS THE POWER ON ONE POINT ...

BY FOCUSING YOUR POWER, YOU CAN DO THIS!
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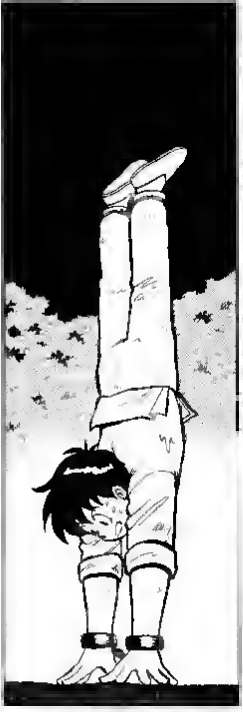
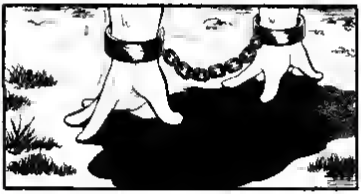
...
HMM... I SEE... IT'S LIKE THAT...
LOOK CARE-FULLY
SHUIT
GLUG GLUG

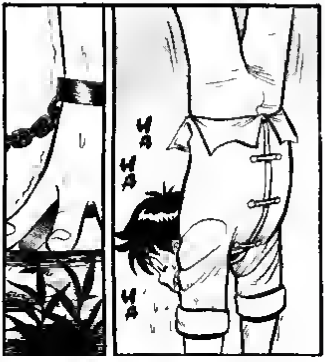
WHAT? HE MADE A HOLE IN THE TEA CUP WITH HIS FINGER!
GLOUB
GRRRRR
YOU ARE STILL A CHILD, BUT IF YOU MANAGE TO CONCENTRATE YOUR POWER, YOU CAN BE STRONGER THAN AN ADULT.
I'M OLD AND I DON'T HAVE MUCH STRENGTH ANYMORE, BUT IF I FOCUS ON ONE POINT, I CAN STILL DO THAT.
I BROKE MY FAVORITE CUP...
DRAT !
IT'S QUITE STURDY THOUGH ...
TZZ
BEN

FOCUS MY STRENGTH ON A SINGLE POINT?
YES, BUT AGAINST ZANGUY, I CAN'T DO ANYTHING IN THE STATE I'M IN RIGHT NOW...
I HAVE ONLY ONE CHANCE TO SUCCEED.
FOR THE SAME STRENGTH, THE SMALLER THE FOCUS POINT, THE GREATER THE DESTRUCTIVE FORCE!
I HAVE TO DO IT!!





OK, WITH FOUR FINGERS NOW.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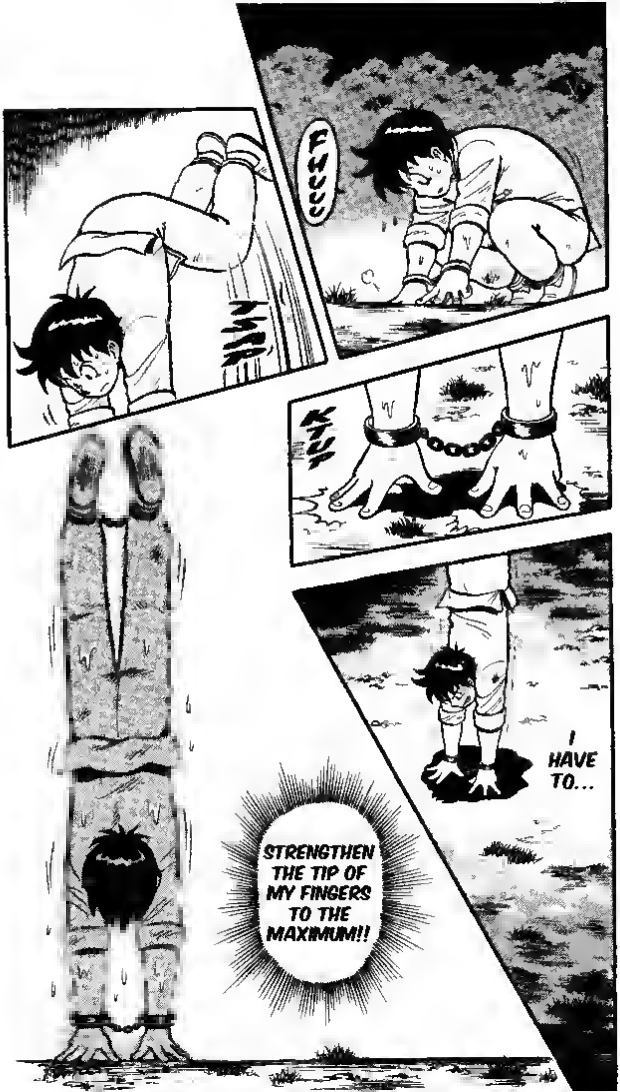
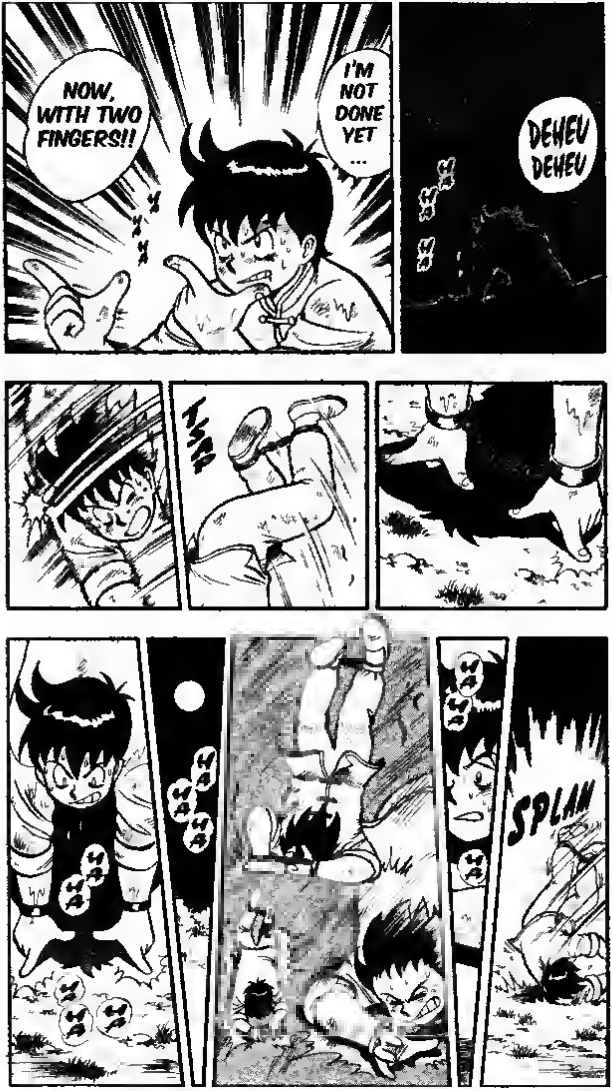
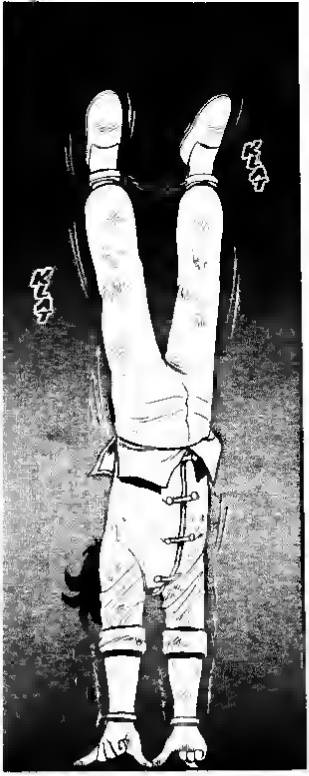

FHUU
I HAVE TO...
STRENGTHEN THE TIP OF MY FINGERS TO THE MAXIMUM!!

WITH THREE FINGERS !!
BLORB
HUR
OUCH...
GUHE GUHEU
SPLASH


NOW, WITH TWO FINGERS!!
I'M NOT DONE YET ...
DEHEU DEHEU
SPLAH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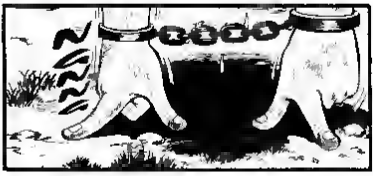
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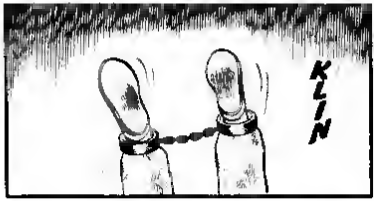
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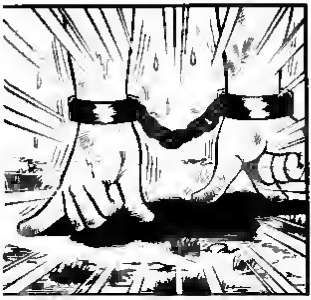

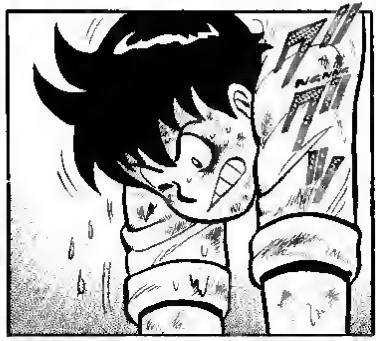
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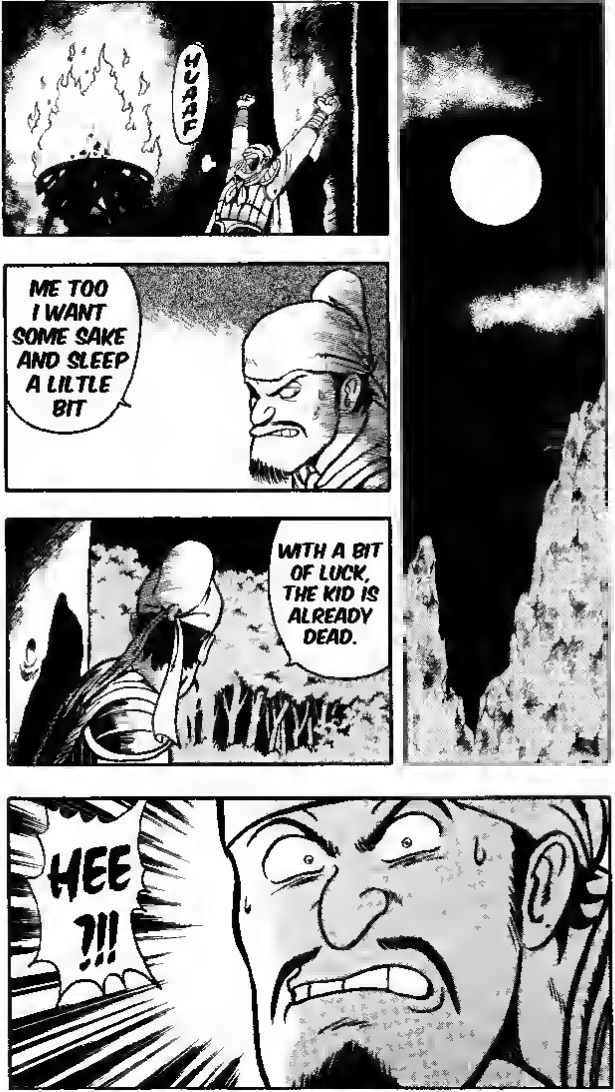
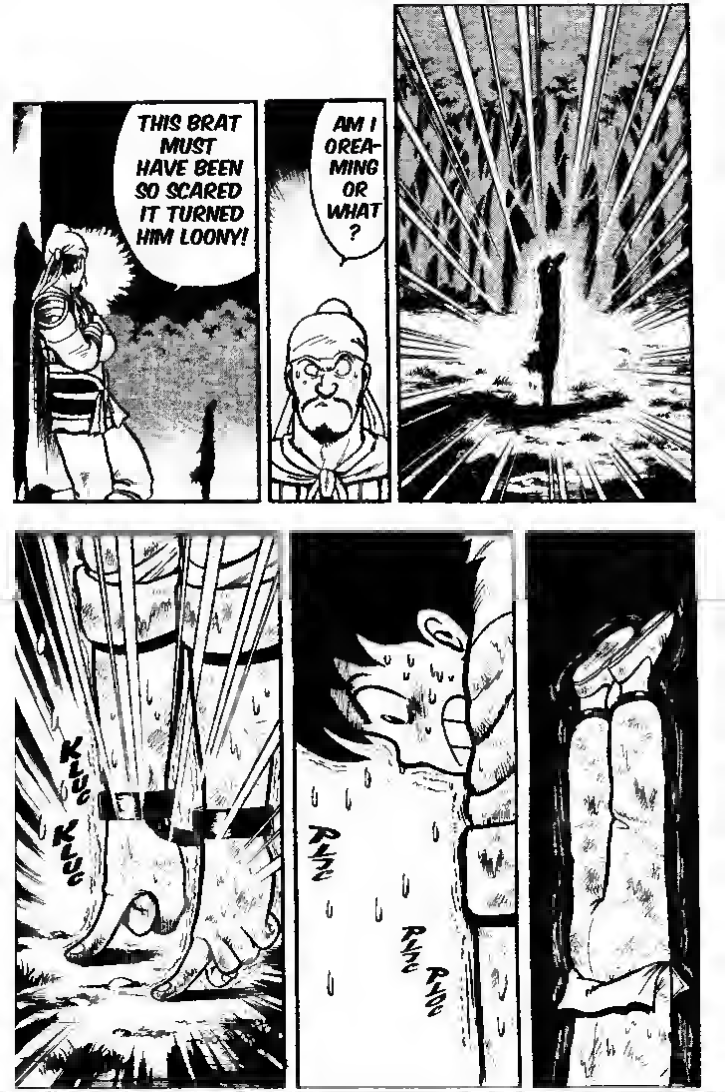
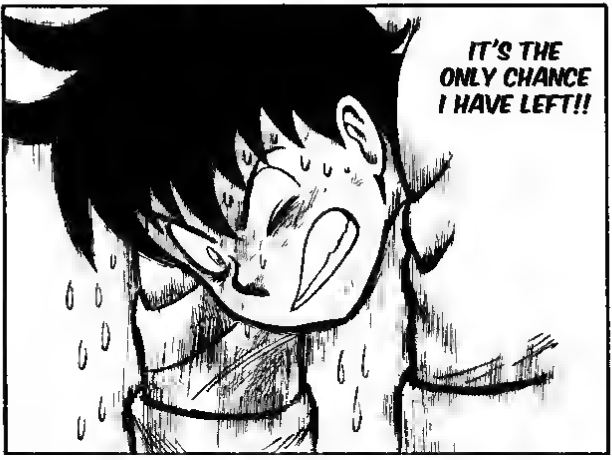

HUAAA
ME TOO I WANT SOME SAKE AND SLEEP A LILTLE BIT
WITH A BIT OF LUCK, THE KID IS ALREADY DEAD.
HEE ?!!


THIS BRAT MUST HAVE BEEN SO SCARED IT TURNED HIM LOONY!
AM I DREAMING OR WHAT?
KLUC KLUC
RIUC
RIUC
RIUC

IN ORDER TO USE THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN, HE HAS TO SPREAD HIS ARMS AT LEAST ONCE.


IT'S THE ONLY CHANCE I HAVE LEFT!!

LORD ZANGUY. IT'S DAWN, AND WE'RE READY!!
VERY WELL. LET'S GO!
TO BE CONTINUED...

# THE BAND OF THE RED HAND

CHINMI VERSUS ZANGUY
TZAAN!!
YES!
BRING THE KID!
THE PEOPLE OF SONG-JYA ARE ARRIVING!
GOOK!
COME HERE!

TUK TUK TUK
YOU MONSTERS !!
CHINMI !!
THERE HE IS!
PAT
CHINMI
HA HA HA
HU HU HU...
HA HA HA HA

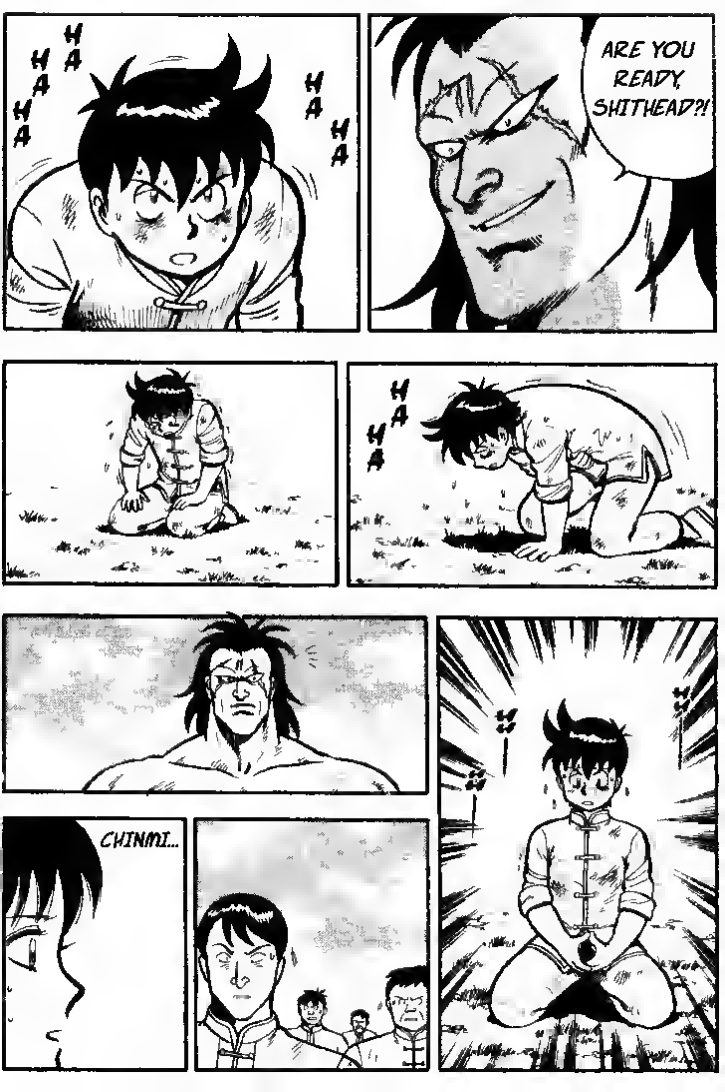
I FIRST PLANNED TO KILL HIM RIGHT AWAY TO AVENGE MY BROTHER RYUHI. BUT IT WASN'T REALLY AMUSING AFTER ALL.
HE'LL BE HAPPY TO DIE WITH SO MANY SPECTATORS!!
INSTEAD, I WILL EXECUTE HIM RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES, BUNCH OF PEASANTS!!

DAMMIT! MY STOMACH STILL HURTS!!
THEY WANT TO TORTURE HIM TO DEATH. THEY'RE DESPICABLE!
CHINMI IS IN SUCH A BAD WAY, HE CAN HARDLY MOVE.
WELL! LET THE PARTY BEGIN!!
I ONLY HAVE ONE CHANCE LEFT!
IF I WANT TO SURVIVE

ZANGUY!
IT'S ZANGUY, THE CHIEF OF THE BLACK FLAME CLAN.
SEEING YOU LIKE THIS,
I GUESS YOU'VE BEEN SUFFERING ALL NIGHT LONG.
BUT IT'S NOTHING COMPARED TO WHAT YOU WILL GO THROUGH TODAY! HU HU HU...

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO COUNTER THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN!
NAN
THERE ARE TWO PRESSURE POINTS THAT BLOCK THE MOVEMENTS OF THE ARMS.
ON THE SHOULDERS.
ZANGUY IS ALWAYS ON GUARD
I MUST TARGET THESE TWO POINTS!
NGG NGG NG

BUT HE DROPS HIS GUARDS WHEN HE SPREADS HIS ARMS FOR THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN
THAT'S WHEN I HAVE TO STRIKE!
AND IF I FAIL...
I WILL END UP LIKE THE WATER-MELON.
MY HEAD WILL BE REDUCED TO A PULP!!


HA
HA
HA
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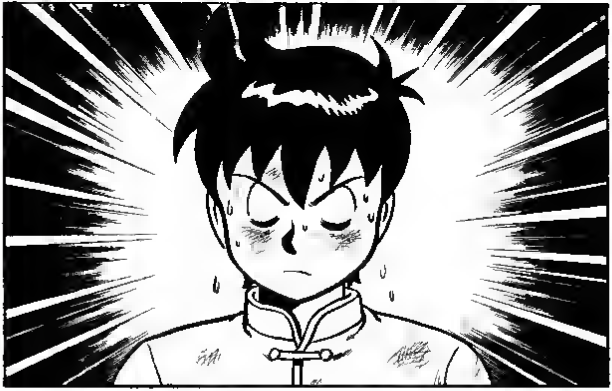
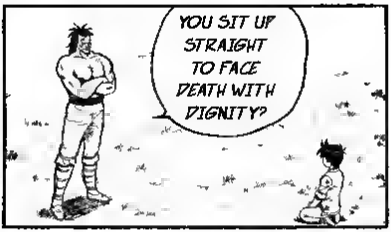
HA
HA
ARE YOU READY, SHITHEAD?!
HA
HA
CHINMI...



ONLY ONE SINGLE CHANCE...


YOU SIT UP STRAIGHT TO FACE DEATH WITH DIGNITY?

LET'S START THEN.

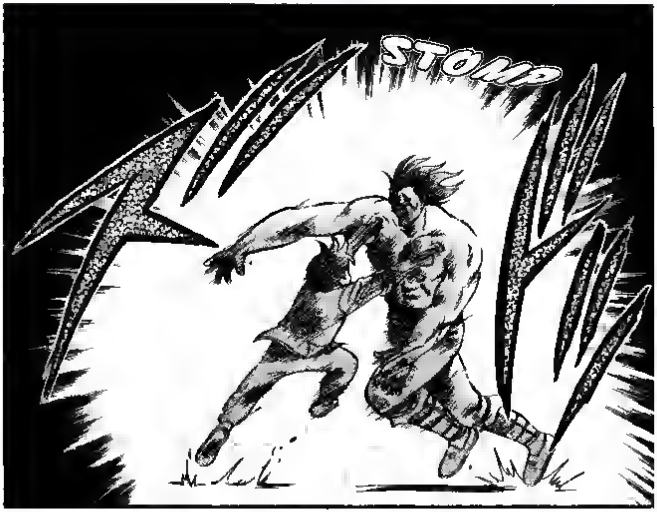
FIRST I HAVE TO CONTROL MY BREATHING

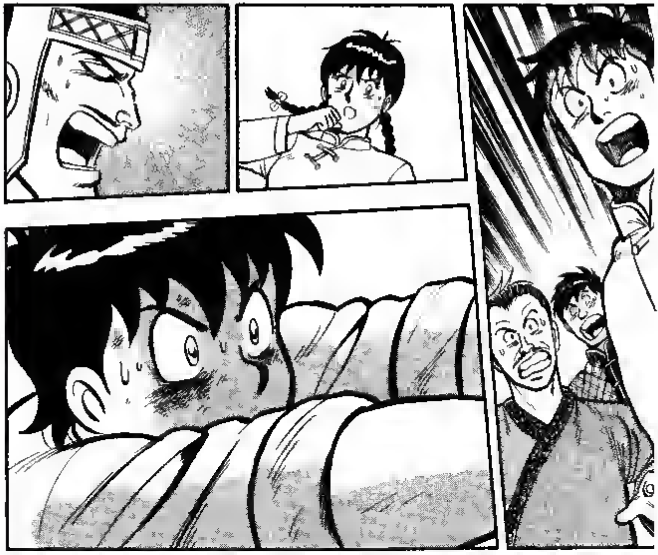
KOSHYA ...
KIDO-KEN!!!
FWOP
YES... IF IT HITS THE HEAD..
DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT IS?
THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN?
BLOOD GUSHES OUT FROM EVERYWHERE, THE NOSE, THE EARS, THE MOUTH, THE EYES. IT'S INSTANT DEATH!
THE QI GONG IS UNLEASHED IN THE SKULL, IT'S HORRIBLE.

DON'T KILL CHINMI! TAKE ME INSTEAD!
NO MEILIN, WAIT!
CHIN-MIIII !!!
I MUST NOT DIE, NO MATTER WHAT!
CRY
MEI-LIN!!

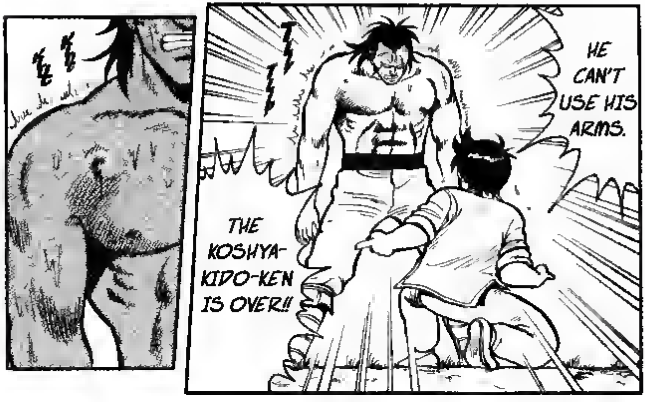
GWOO
LET'S DO THIS!

NOW!


STOMP



KLOT
HAAH
HAAH
I DID IT!!
STUPID BRAT YOU CAN STILL MOVE?

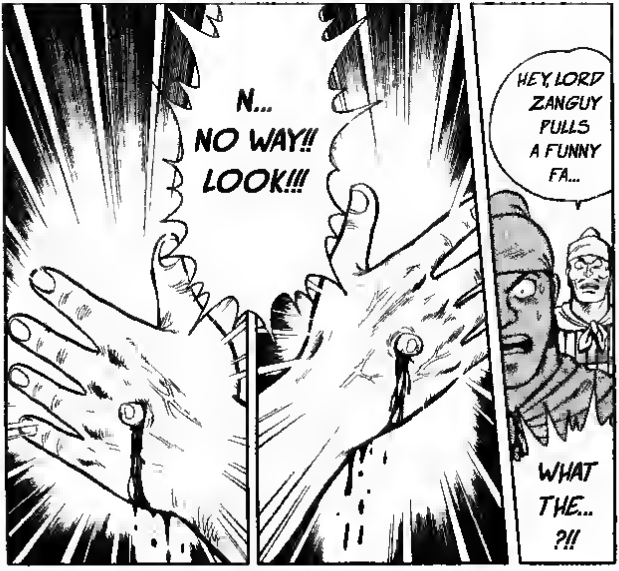

HE CAN'T USE HIS ARMS.
THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN IS OVER!!

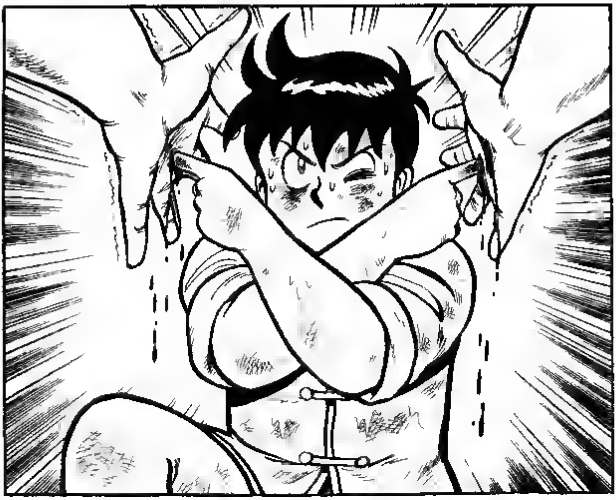
I'LL GIVE YOU ANOTHER TASTE OF THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN!!!
!!
YOU DON'T GET TO MAKE FUN OF THE GREAT ZANGUY ...
!!
GRL
GRUPS
HIS... HIS ARMS! THEY MOVE!
YOU ALMOST GOT ME.
BUT YOU MISSED THE PRESSURE POINTS.
I'M DEAD !!

SLASH
YEAH!!
HE GOT
HIM!!!

PUP
PUP
PUP
PUP
CHI
...
NOOO!
CHINMI
!!!

WAAA
CHINMI !!


N...
NO WAY!!
LOOK!!!
HEY, LORD ZANGUY PULLS A FUNNY FA...
WHAT THE...?!!



HE DEFEATED THE KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN!
THE KID PIERCED THE CHIEF'S HANDS WITH HIS FINGERS!
SPUIT

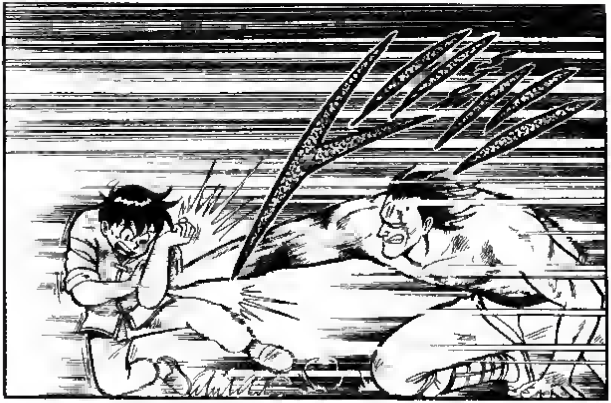
HAH
HAH
HAH
URK...
TRAL
HE PIERCED ZANGUY'S HANDS...
WHAT'S WITH THIS BRAT?
URGH...
ONE MORE BLOW AND HE'S DONE WITH!
FINISH HIM, CHINMI!

CHINMI!?
HUUR...
KLUNG
ONE MORE EFFORT!
COURAGE, CHINMI!
HE COULDN'T HAVE RECOVERED IN ONE NIGHT..
AFTER TWO KOSHYA-KIDO-KEN IN THE STOMACH.
I MANAGED TO COUNTER HIS ATTACKS, BUT I DON'T EVEN HAVE ENOUGH STRENGTH TO FINISH HIM OFF.

HE REALLY GOT ME.
HE PIERCED THE PALMS OF MY HANDS WHILE I WAS ATTACKING BY FOCUSING HIS POWER IN HIS FINGERS..
MY ARMS ARE ALL NUMB
COURAGE CHINMI!
BUT DON'T THINK IT'S OVER YET!
IF I MOVE, MY STOMACH HURTS EVEN MORE. I CAN'T MOVE OR USE TOO MUCH FORCE. WHAT CAN I DO ?
HAH HAH

ZANGUY IS ON THE MOVE AGAIN!

CHINMI
IF WE ATTACKS, I'm LOST.
LITTLE SHIT-HEAD !!
YOU'RE GONNA DIE!!
!!



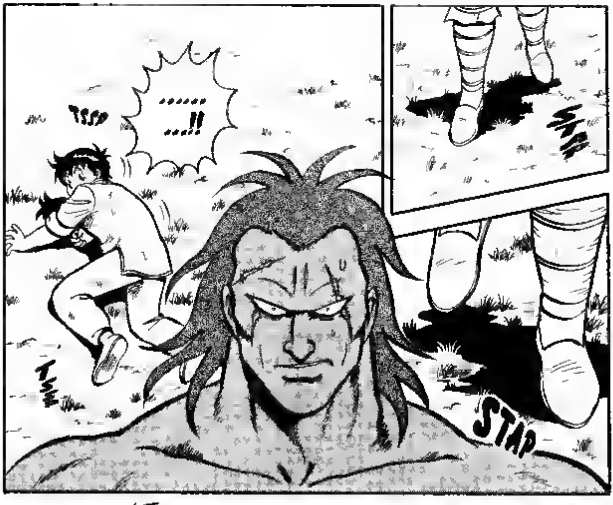
SPEED
AAH !!

LORD ZANGUY CAN'T TARGET ANY-MORE!
HE GOT HIM IN THE ARM, NOT THE STOMACH!
STUPID STUPID STUPID
HIS ATTACK WAS PERFECT ...
YOU'RE WRONG

WOUA !!
HUUUG !
HOOH !!
NNNG
GNK GNK
HOAA
URG !!
HA HA
THEUH
RHEU TEUH BHUAR

DO NOT MOVE!
PSAT
I CAN'T STAND THIS!
GRR...
WAIT A LITTLE BIT. IT SHOULD NOT BE LONG UNTIL THE COUP DE GRACE.
HA HA HA
YOU WILL REGRET THIS!
PUL PUL
DAMMIT! I CAN LESS AND LESS MOVE MY HANDS..

SPA
KUU
ZANGUY IS APPROCHING!
AND I STILL CAN'T MOVE. WHAT WILL I DO?
WHAT CAN I DO?!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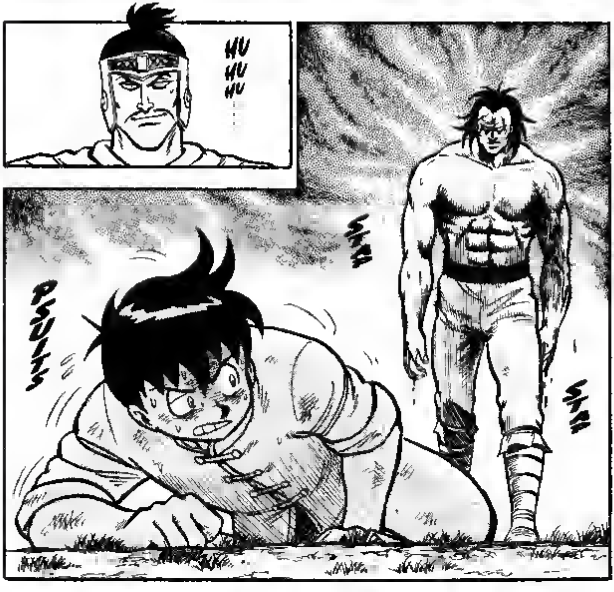
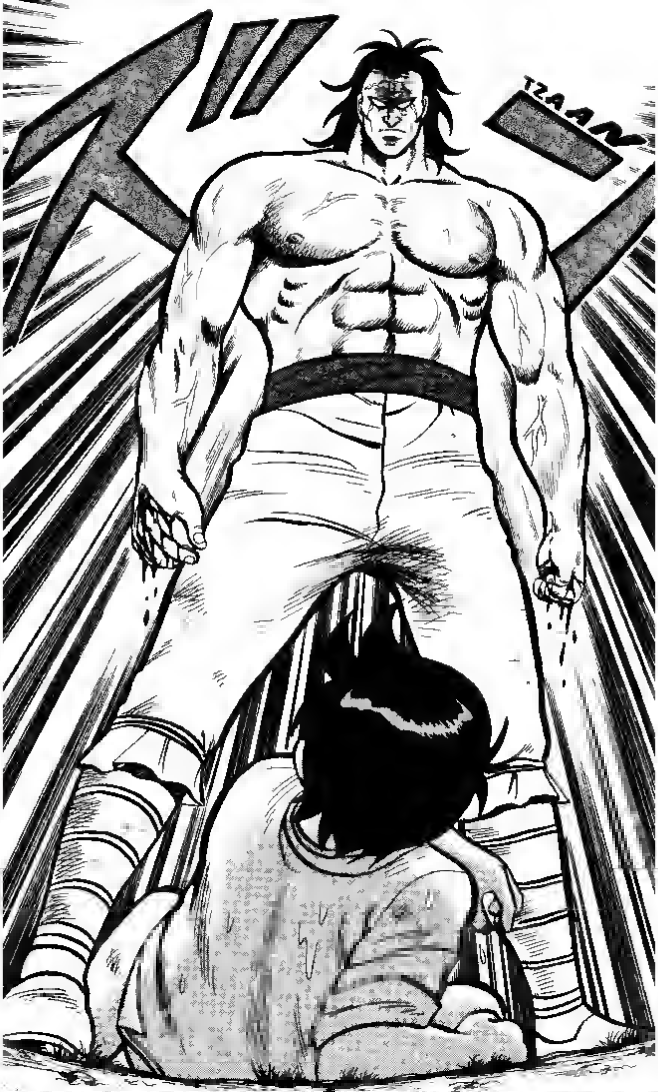
.....
....!!
STAP
STAP


HU
HU
HU
STAP
PSUUU
STAP

BUT HIM, HE SEEMS TO HAVE A LOT OF STAMINA LEFT!
I HAVE NO MORE STRENGTH.
HA HA
SPA
SPA
HAVE I NO MORE HOPE?
HOW CAN I DEFEAT AN OPPONENT WITHOUT BEING VERY STRONG?
EVEN IF I HAVE NO STRENGTH, THERE MUST BE A WAY!
!!

YOU CAN ATTACK SOMEONE WITH STRENGTH, BUT YOU CAN ALSO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR OPPONENT'S STRENGTH!
NO MATTER HOW WEAK YOU ARE, THIS WAY YOU CAN AMPLIFY YOUR POWER.
TO EXERT YOUR POWER USING A MINIMUM OF STRENGTH. THINK ABOUT THAT.
USE THE OPPONENT'S STRENGTH!
THE OPPONENT'S STRENGTH!
YES, I CAN DO THAT.


TZAAM

DIE LIKE A MAN NOW.
SUT
YOU GAVE ME A HARD TIME.

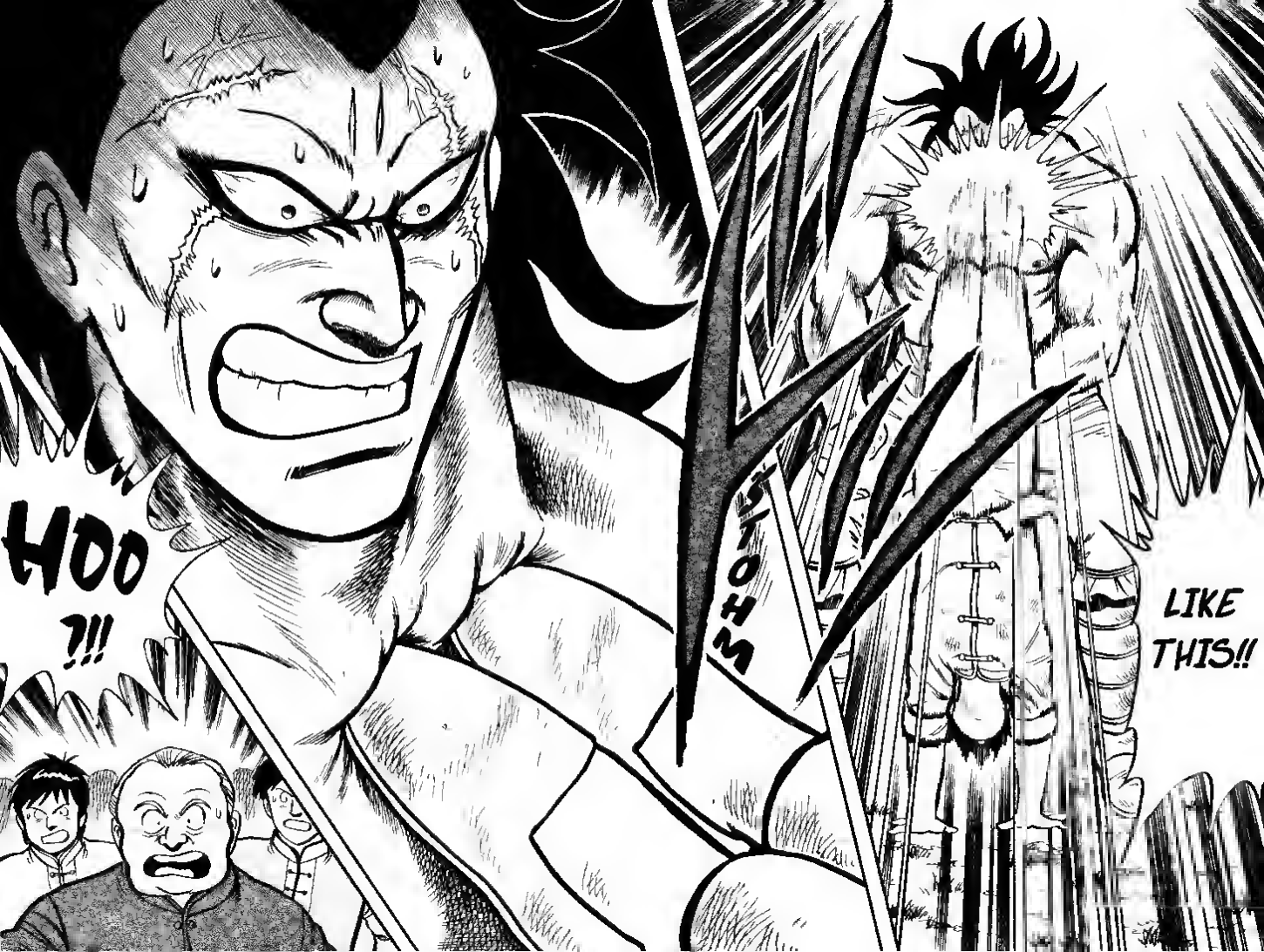
SLUT
TAKE ADANTAGE OF YOUR OPPONENT'S STRENGTH!
ARE YOU READY ?
THE SMALLER THE POINT IS, THE LESS YOUR POWER WILL BE DISPERSED
WHEN YOUR OPPONENT ATTACKS, USE HIS OWN STRENGTH AGAINST HIM!
SLUT

USE THE OPPONENT'S STRENGTH!!
FOCUS ON A SMALL IMPACT POINT!!
GRIP
AAAH... WHAT CAN I DO? CHINMI!
HU HU HU...

KOSHYA-
KIDO-KEN
!!!
YAR
!!

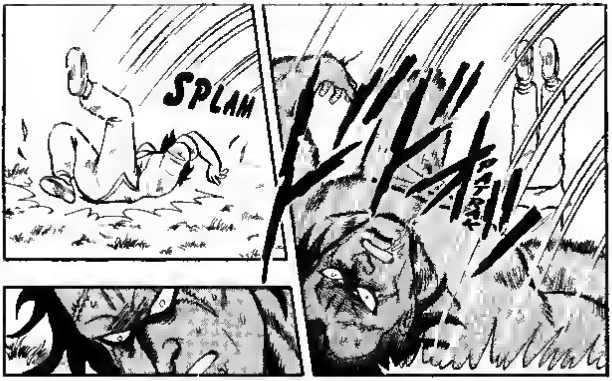
USE THE OPPONENT'S OWN STRENGTH!!!

A SMALL IMPACT POINT!!


HOO
?!!
SHOHT
LIKE
THIS!!

WHAT
?!?

BLOERG


SPLAM
ドゴォ!!
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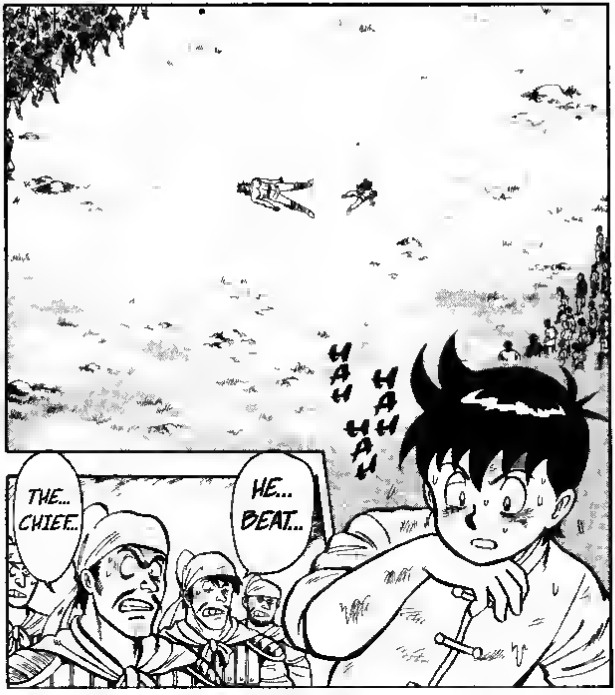
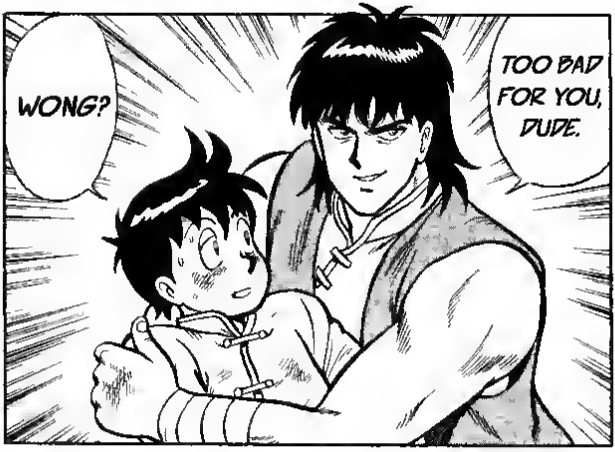
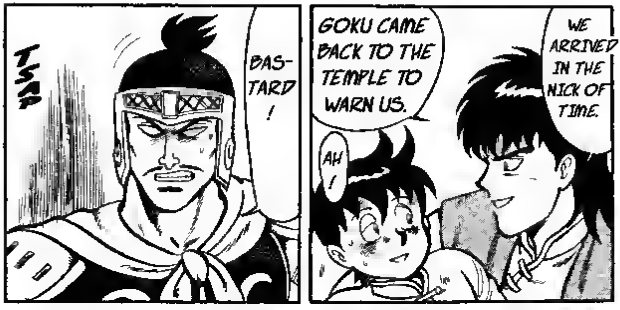

HAH HAH HAH
THE... CHIEF..
HE... BEAT..

KTIM!!
RHAAA!!
HA HA HA
TSHIIF
THAT'S ENOUGH !!
I'M GONNA CUT YOU DOWN TO SIZE, THEN EXTERMINATE THE ENTIRE VILLAGE!!

CHINMI!!
NOOO!!
I CAN'T MOVE ANYMORE ...
!!
DIE !!!
SHLINK

WHAT?! HE CAN STILL MOVE?


WONG?
TOO BAD FOR YOU, DUDE.


TSK!
BAS-TARD!
GOKU CAME BACK TO THE TEMPLE TO WARN US.
AH!
WE ARRIVED IN THE NICK OF TIME.

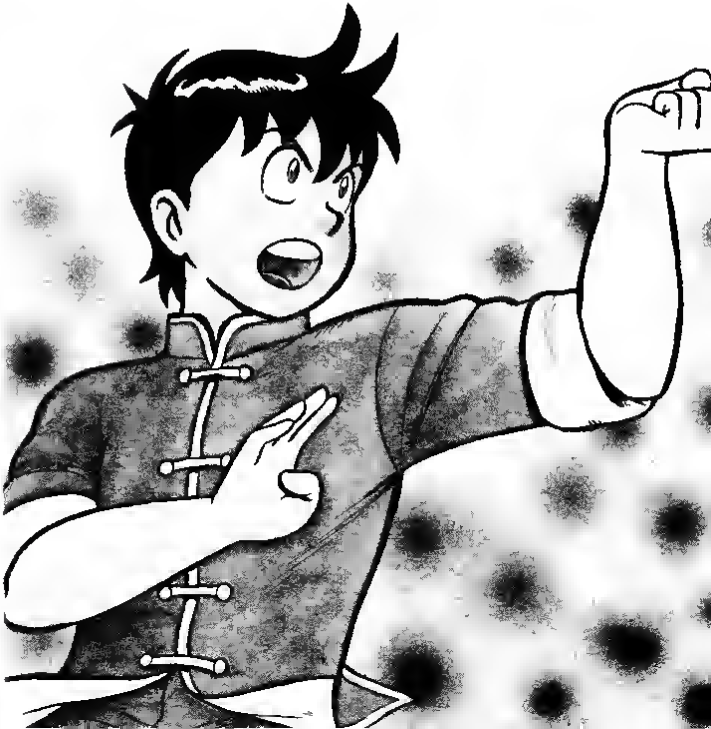
ONE MOVE AND I BREAK YOUR NECK.
HU !!
WHO ARE THESE TWO GUYS?
THEY'RE NOT PEASANTS.
LET'S SHOW THEM WHO WE ARE!!
WHAT THE...
LOOK...
WHY ?
WAIT
COME FIGHT WITH ME ASSHO..

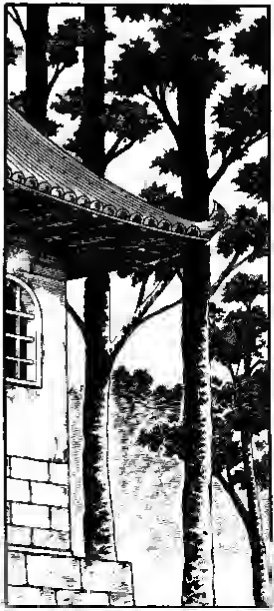
TZAAAA
BUT... ALL THESE GUYS! WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?
THE ELITE OF THE DALIN TEMPLE OUT IN FORCE.
EACH ONE OF THEM OUTMATCH YOU EASILY.
GUE
SO ?
STILL WANT TO FIGHT?

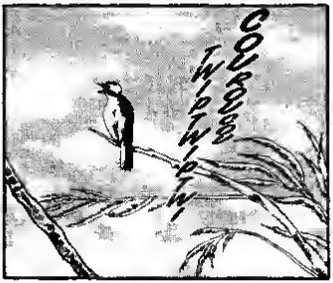
TSA?
DROP YOUR WEAPONS !!
SAD
THEY'LL TOO STRONG !
THE MONKS FROM DAI...
YOU CAN'T RUN.
SHIIN
SCA-RY!
E... EVERY-ONE...
NIIIIII
THANKS !
HOT !

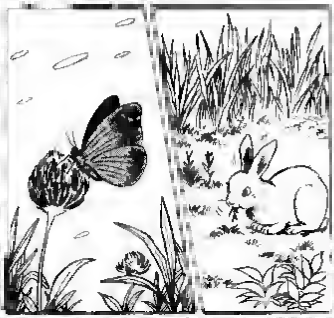
WE WILL TURN YOU ALL IN TO THE AUTHORITIES
CHINMI !!
YOU WERE SO COURAGEOUS!!
BIG SISTER !!
.....
...
OINK

# CATCH THE STONE IN MY HAND

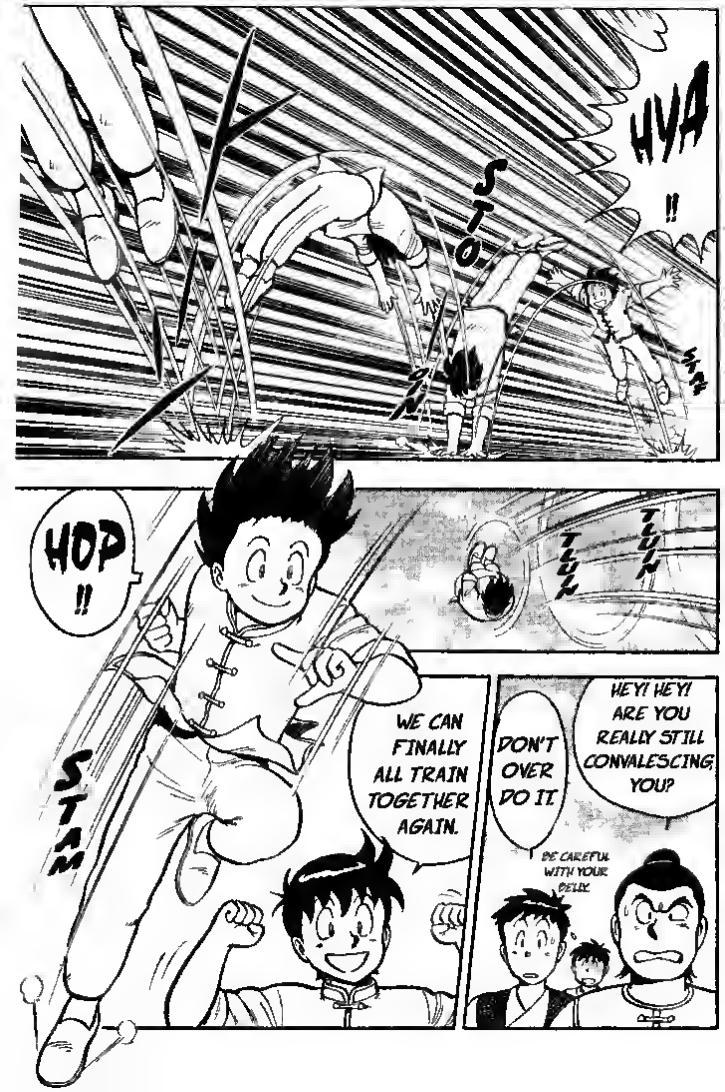




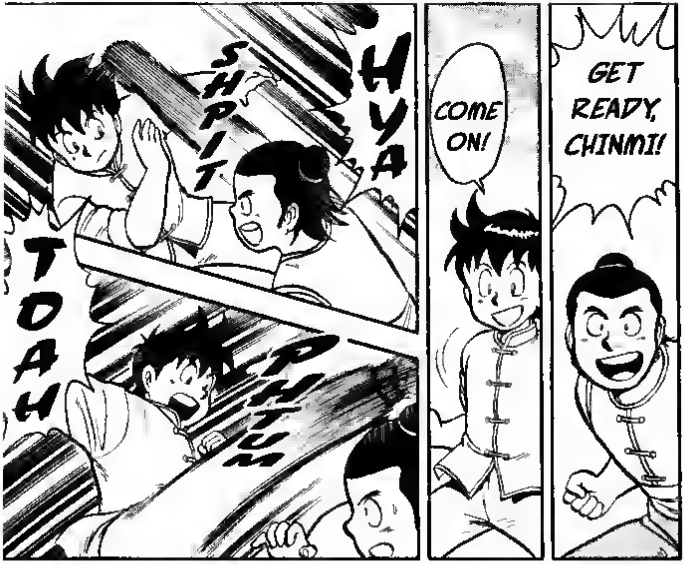

COUCOU
TWIT-TWIT-TWIT!

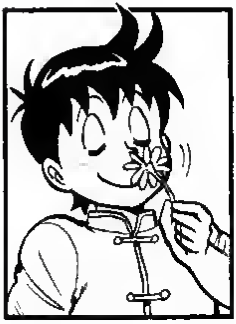


HOW DO YOU FEEL?
GOOD MORNING CHIMMI. YOU CAN ALREADY GET OUT OF BED?
FUU
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME.
I FEEL GREAT!
POP
HE HE!!
SO IT'S ONLY NATURAL.
IT'S YOUR CUTE SISTER WHO NURSED YOU.
IT WAS SO BORING TO STAY IN BED.
OF COURSE!
SO YOU'RE TAKING UP THE TRAINING AGAIN TODAY?

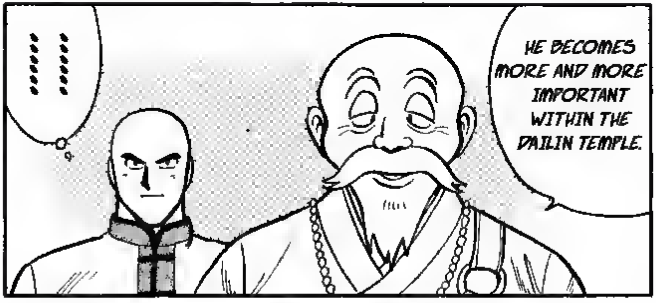

HYA !!
STO
SHIN
HOP !!
STAM
TSUIN
TSUIN
WE CAN FINALLY ALL TRAIN TOGETHER AGAIN.
DON'T OVER DO IT
HEY! HEY! ARE YOU REALLY STILL CONVALESCING YOU?
BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR BELLY.

ME TOO.
I'M HAPPY TO SEE HIM IN GREAT SHAPE.
WITH ALL THE BLOWS HE RECEIVED, HIS STOMACH MADE HIM SUFFER HORRIBLY.
HE WAS SO EAGER TO MOVE AGAIN.
SO MUCH ENTHUSIASM!
YES, THAT'S THE CHINMI WE ALL KNOW!!
GOOD! NEXT, YOU WILL FIGHT TWO BY TWO! BEGIN!

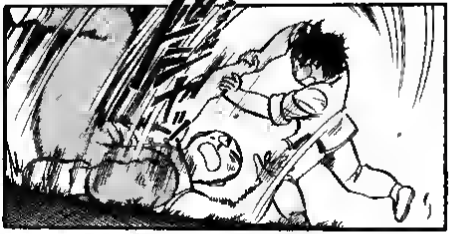

HYA
SHPIT
TOAH
PHTUH
COME ON!
GET READY, CHINMI!

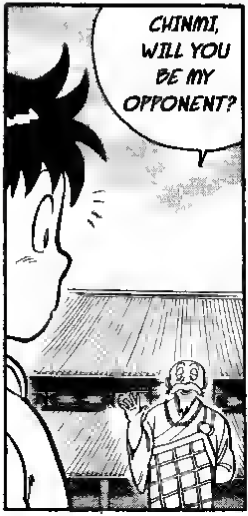


HYA!!
HE RECOVERED ALL HIS STRENGTH.
HUA !!
YEAH !
HIA !!
WE MUST FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE.
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE WAS SEVERLY HURT.
ALL IT TAKES IS CHINMI'S PRESENCE FOR THEM TO CHANGE THEIR ATTITUDE.
ABBOT
WHAT A DIFFE-RENCE!

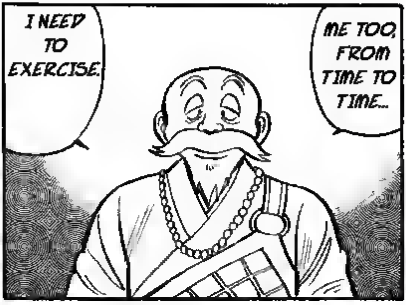

.....
HE BECOMES MORE AND MORE IMPORTANT WITHIN THE DAILIN TEMPLE.

ARGH... YOU GOT ME...

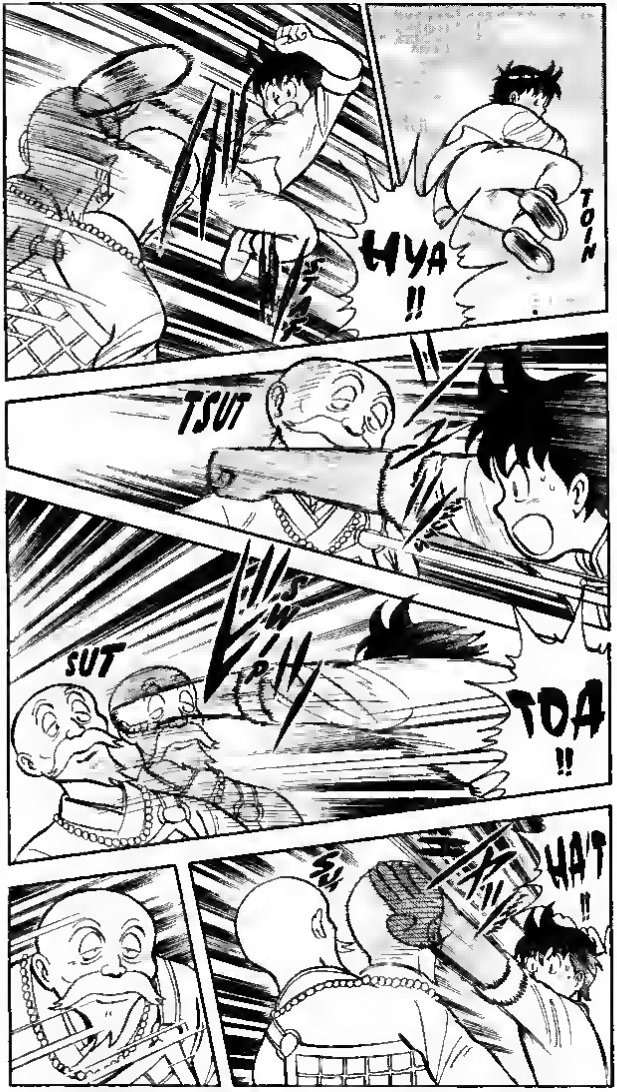



CHINMI, WILL YOU BE MY OPPONENT?

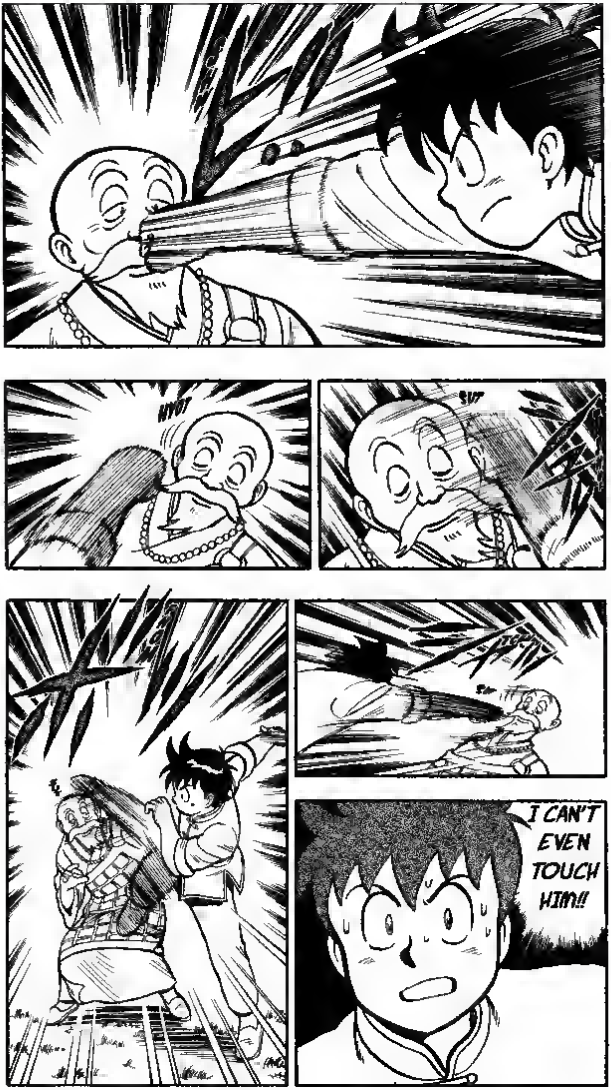
HE HE HE...

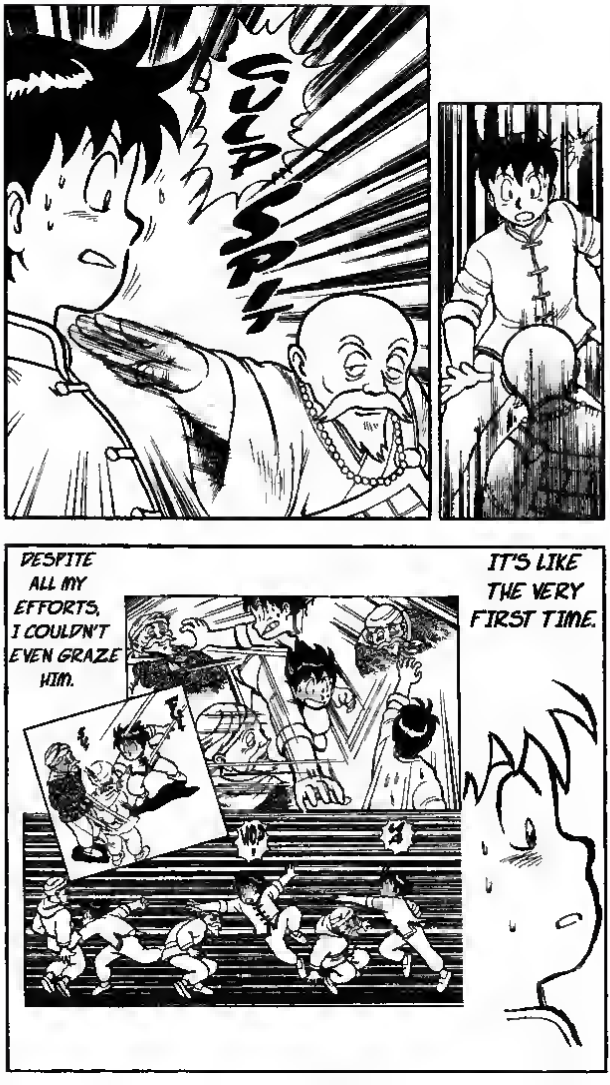

I NEED TO EXERCISE.
ME TOO, FROM TIME TO TIME...

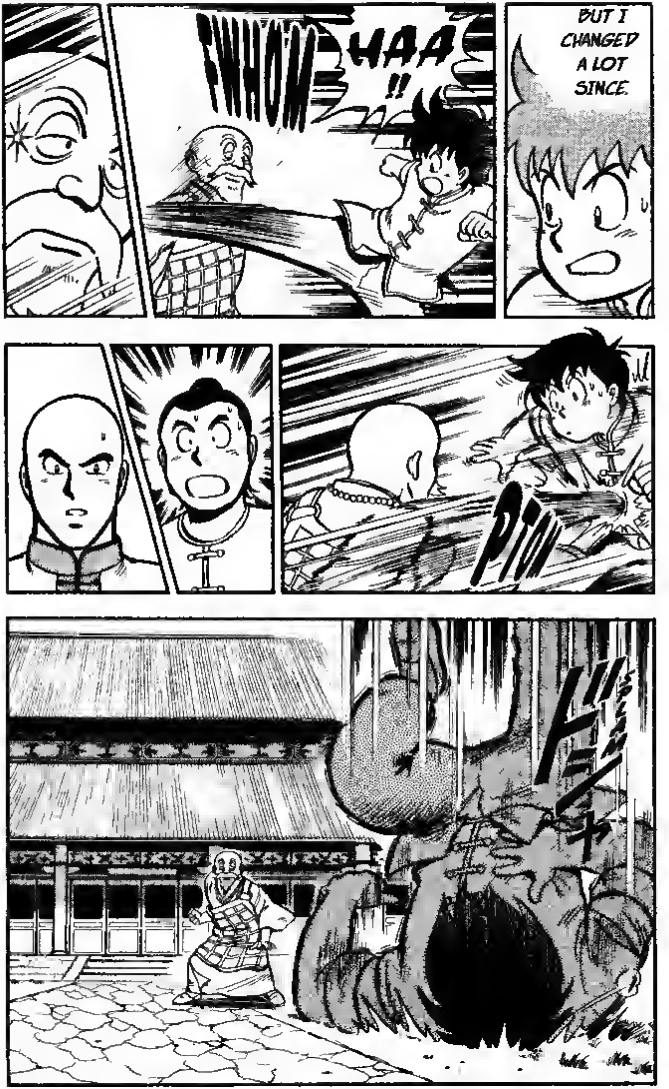
VERY WELL. I BEGIN THEN.
WUMPF!
REALLY, ABBOT?
YES, PLEASE.
SHWIP!


TOIN
HYA !!
TSUT
SUT
SWIP
TOA !!
HA'T !!

SPIT
HUYA
IT'S NOT OVER YET!


HYOT
SU?
I CAN'T EVEN TOUCH HIM!!

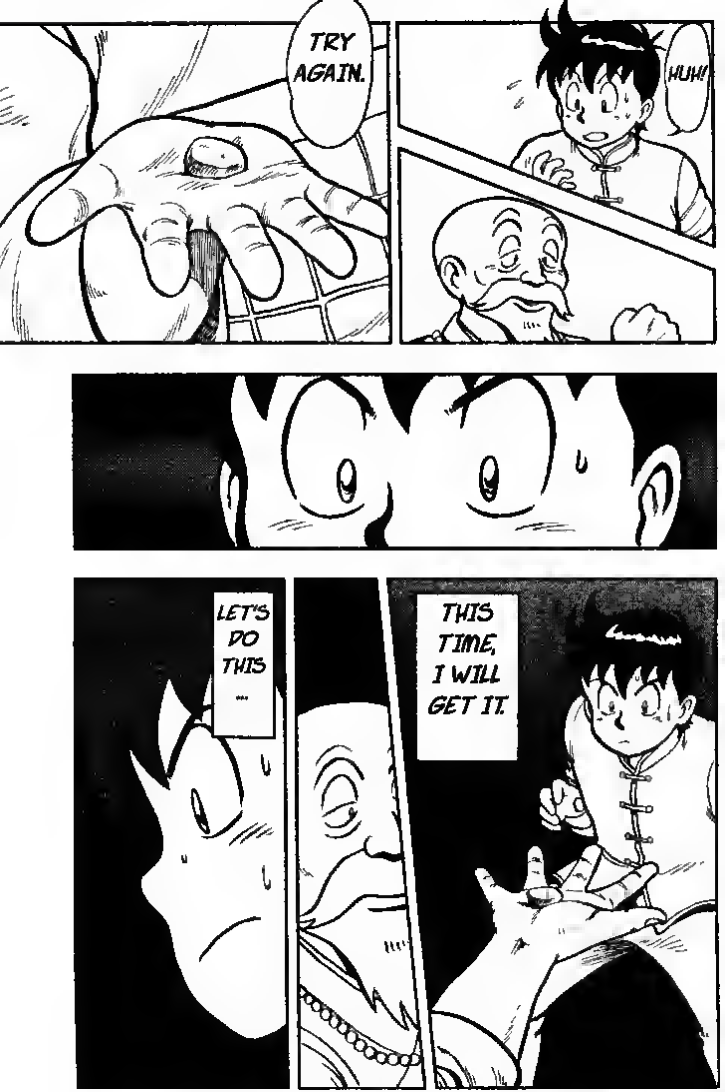

GULP SPIT
DESPITE ALL MY EFFORTS, I COULDN'T EVEN GRAZE HIM.
IT'S LIKE THE VERY FIRST TIME.

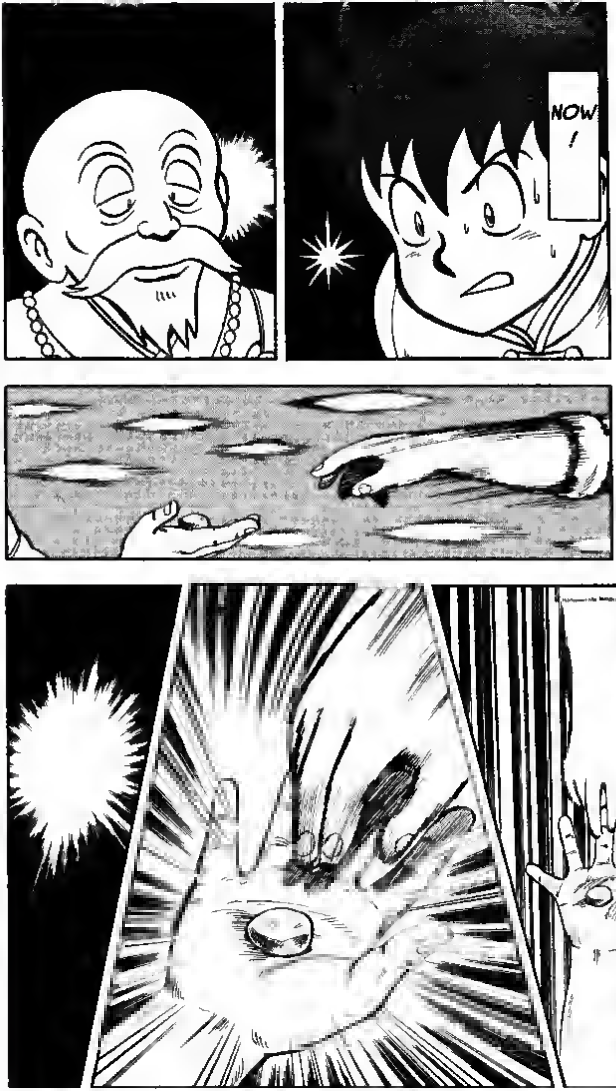

FWHOM
HAA !!
BUT I CHANGED A LOT SINCE.
Piu
ドンッ

THERE'S NOTHING TO BE DONE. I CAN BARELY BRUSH HIM.
CHINMI, IF YOU CAN'T EVEN TOUCH MY OLD BODY, YOU NEED TO TRAIN EVEN MORE.
HA HA
IT'S USELESS TO CONTINUE, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TOUCH ME.
I CAN SEE ALL YOUR ATTACKS IN ADVANCE.
TO ME, IT'S AS IF YOU DROPPED YOUR GUARD
I BEG YOU!
HMM ...
LET ME TRY ONE MORE TIME!

LET'S SEE ...
WELL,
TRY TO CATCH THIS STONE, IN MY HAND!

YES. GO ON. TRY.
CATCH... THE STONE?
!?
OK.
SPAT

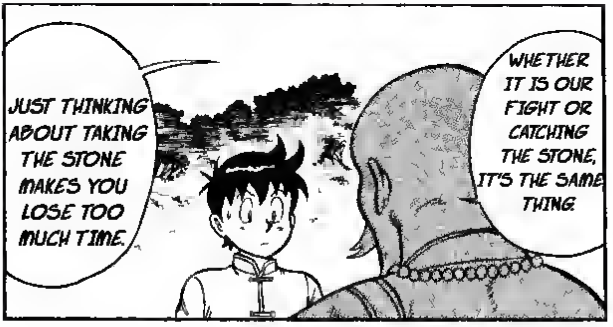

TRY AGAIN.
HUH!
LET'S DO THIS ...
THIS TIME, I WILL GET IT.


NOW
!

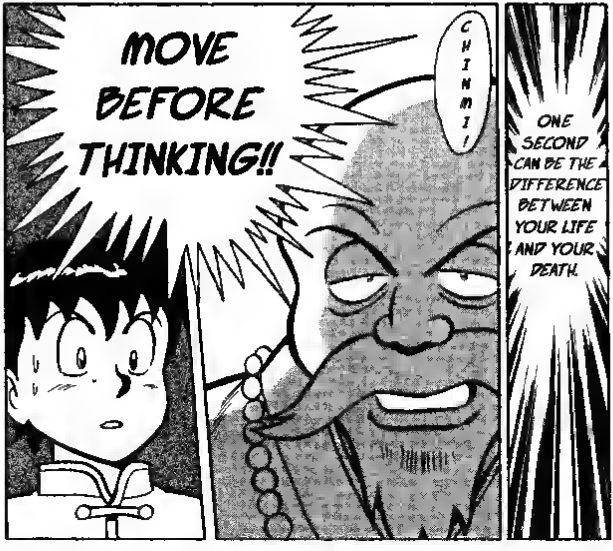
!!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW, CHIMMI?
AS LONG AS YOU CAN'T DO IT, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TOUCH ME EITHER
I... I DIDN'T GET IT!!
SWI-
PLEASE, GO ON!
OK.
WELL... I WILL TAKE THE STONE NOW.

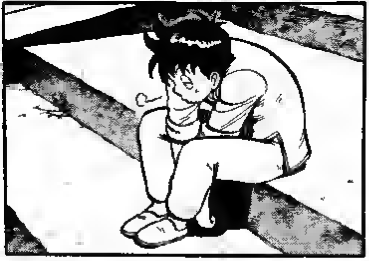
SEE?
WHAT!!
EARLIER ...
GRUP
I WASN'T QUICK ENOUGH.
IT'S THE LAST TIME.
ONE MORE TIME!
.....
...
.....
GO ON!

HE WILL NOT TAKE IT!
HE'S COMING!
FU
HI HI
THERE YOU GO, I GOT IT
!!
BOMB
BUT . . .

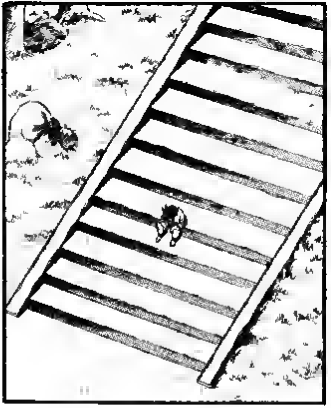

JUST THINKING ABOUT TAKING THE STONE MAKES YOU LOSE TOO MUCH TIME.
WHETHER IT IS OUR FIGHT OR CATCHING THE STONE, IT'S THE SAME THING.

IF YOU MOVE AFTER THINKING "I WILL CATCH THE STONE" OR "I WILL GIVE THIS PUNCH", IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE.
VITORY IS DECIDED IN ONE SECOND


MOVE BEFORE THINKING!!
CHIMMI!
ONE SECOND CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOUR LIFE AND YOUR DEATH.

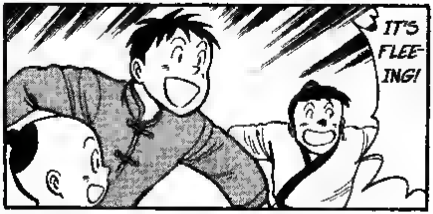


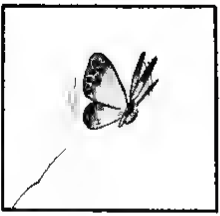
THE ABBOT IS TOO STRONG FOR ME. BUT I KNEW IT WASN'T ONLY A MATTER OF SPEED AND MOVEMENTS COORDINATION...



YES, THAT'S WHAT HE SAYS...

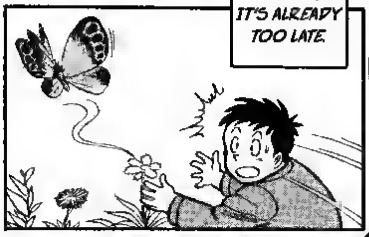
BUT HOW CAN I DO IT?

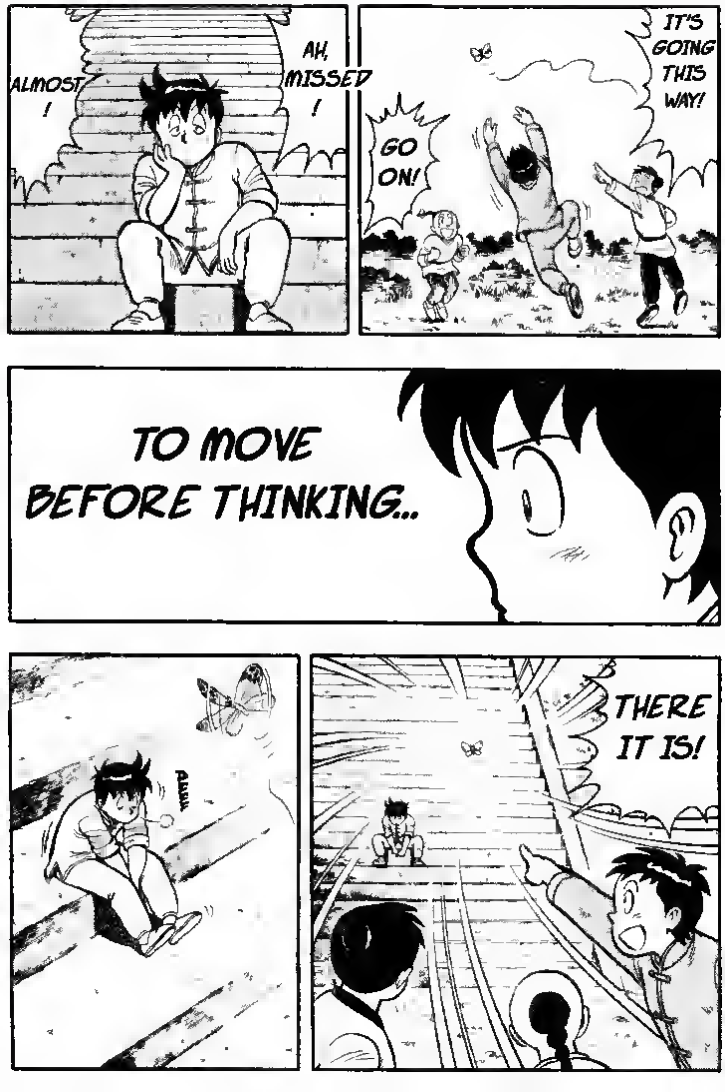


AS LONG AS YOU CAN'T TAKE THE STONE FROM ME, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TOUCH ME EITHER.

IF YOU THINK BEFORE MOVING, IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE.



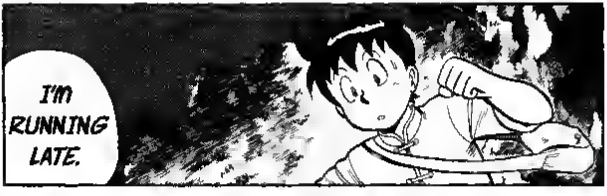

ALMOST!
AH, MISSED!
GO ON!
IT'S GOING THIS WAY!
TO MOVE BEFORE THINKING..
THERE IT IS!

FLAP FLAP
.....
...

INDEED, I GOT IT.
SURE.
WILL YOU GIVE IT TO ME?
AW-SOME!
HE CAUGHT IT!
...
I EXTENDED MY HAND WITHOUT THINKING ABOUT WHAT I WAS DOING.
AND YET I WASN'T TARGETTING IT.
BUT WHEN IT FLEW BEFORE MY EYES,
DID YOU SEE HOW FAST HE WAS?
CHINMI? SO IT'S HIM WHO FACED THE BLACK FLAME ALL ALONE?
LATER!
CHINMI, THE ABBOT ASKED FOR YOU.
I'm CO-MING.

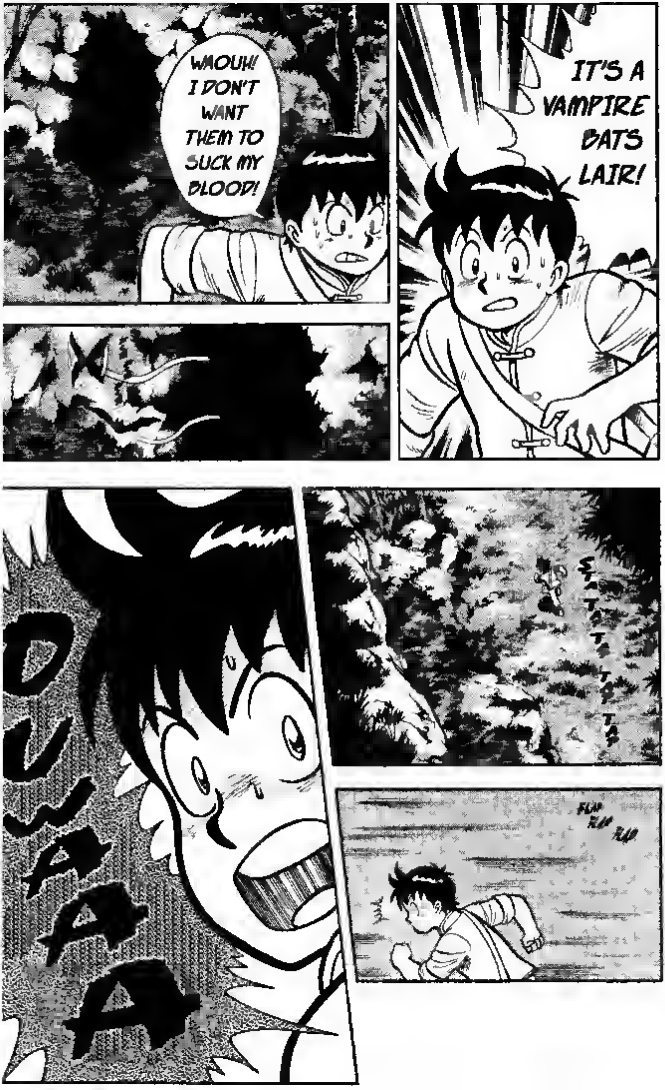
IF IT'S TO CATCH THE STONE AGAIN, I'M NOT READY YET.
WHAT MIGHT HE BE NEEDING ME FOR?
IS THAT ALL?
YES ...
CAN YOU BRING THIS TO THE KOLIN TEMPLE?
YES.
AN ERRAND?
I'M LEAVING RIGHT AWAY.
OK.
TRY TO RETURN BEFORE THE NIGHT.

!!
I SHOWED HIM A SHORTCUT.
IT WILL MAKE HIM RETURN AFTER DUSK.
CHINMI GOES OUT FOR AN ERRAND?
YES, HE GOES TO THE KOLIN TEMPLE
THAT'S WHY I SHOWED HIM THIS WAY.
...
NOT.. NOT THROUGH THE YU-FANG VALE?
I'M WELL AWARE OF THAT.
DURING DAY IT'S ALRIGHT, BUT BY NIGHT IT'S EXTREMELY DANGEROUS! THAT'S WHERE THERE ARE...


I'M RUNNING LATE.

I MUST HURRY.
GOOD THING THERE'S THIS SHORTCUT THROUGH THE VALLEY.

OUCH!
WHAT WAS THAT?
IT WENT INTO THAT CAVE!


WAOUW! I DON'T WANT THEM TO SUCK MY BLOOD!
IT'S A VAMPIRE BATS LAIR!
PLAP PLAP PLAP
AAAA

OUCH!!
TLAP
WUAAA!!

ARE THEY ALL BLOODTHIRSTY OR WHAT?
FLAP FLAP
FLUR
YOU WANT TO FIGHT?!
DARN!
FLUTTER

TSH
!!
GRIEF
SUT

SWISH

THEY EASILY AVOID MY STRIKES! THEY'RE SO FAST!
AND THERE'S TOO MANY OF THEM. IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO FIGHT THEM.

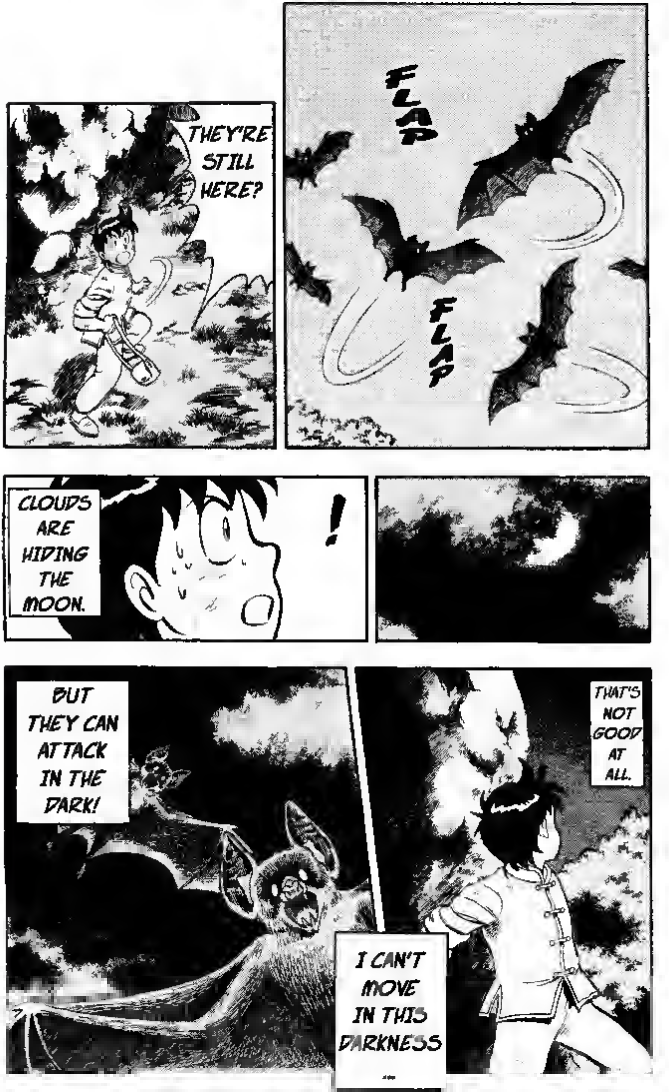
I'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE!
SWISH

SO, FOR NOW,

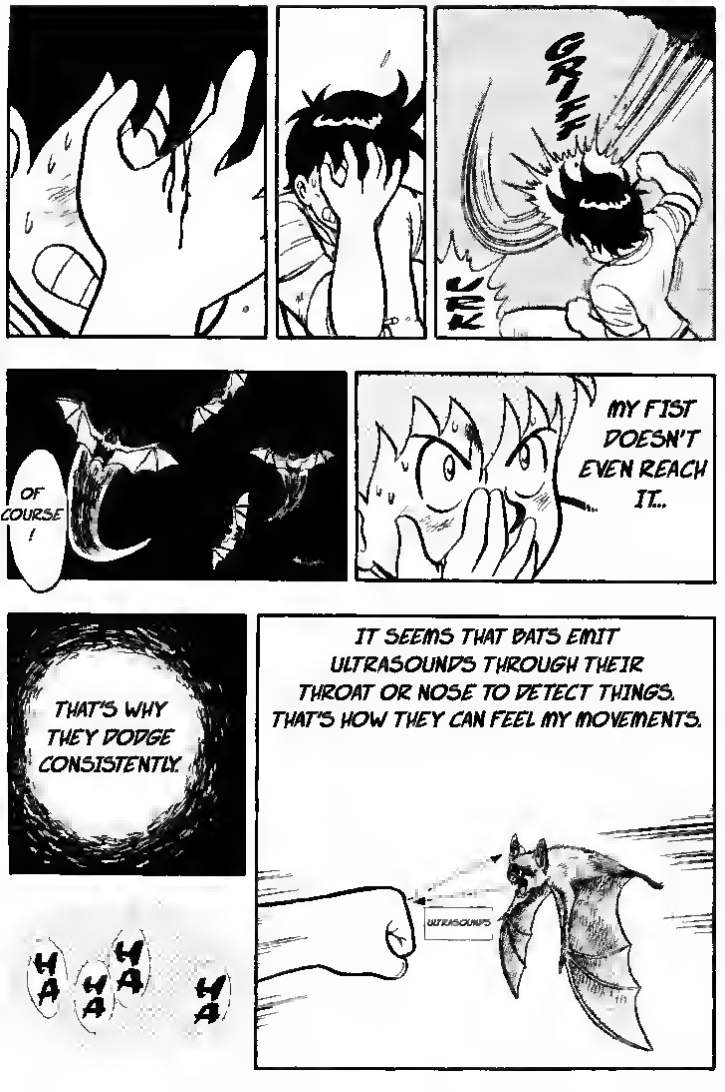
FLAFLA
KIII
HUWAA
NASTY BEASTS !!

TSUT
HYUT
I'M NOT PLANNING TO DIE HERE!
HA
HA
HA
HA
THEY SEEM TO HAVE GIVEN UP THE CHASE.
FLA
FLA
FLA
FLAP

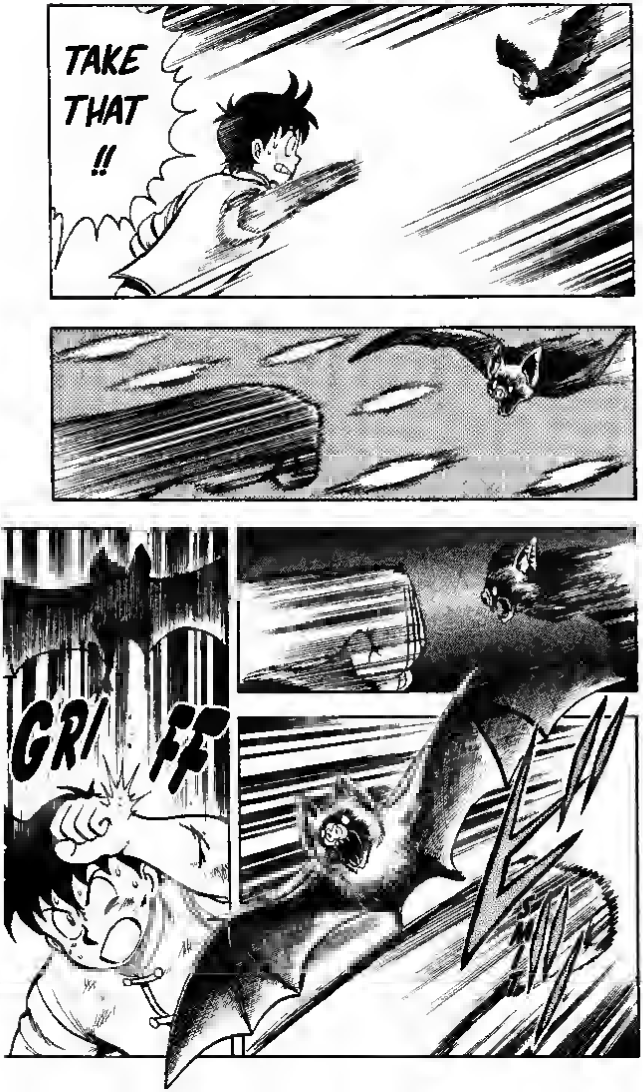
I'VE GOT SCRATCHES ALL OVER. IT HURTS!
FLAPS
GULP


THEY'RE STILL HERE?
FLAP
FLAP
CLOUDS ARE HIDING THE MOON.
!
BUT THEY CAN ATTACK IN THE DARK!
THAT'S NOT GOOD AT ALL.
I CAN'T MOVE IN THIS DARKNESS
...

IT'S TIME TO SHOW SOME COURAGE...
HA HA
HA HA
KRUCK
FLAP FLAP FLAP
I HAVE TO FACE THEM!
KRUCK
SLASH
THERE IT COMES !!


GRIEF
UH
OF COURSE!
MY FIST DOESN'T EVEN REACH IT..
THAT'S WHY THEY DODGE CONSISTENTLY.
IT SEEMS THAT BATS EMIT ULTRASOUNDS THROUGH THEIR THROAT OR NOSE TO DETECT THINGS. THAT'S HOW THEY CAN FEEL MY MOVEMENTS.
ULTRASOUNDS
HA
HA
HA
HA

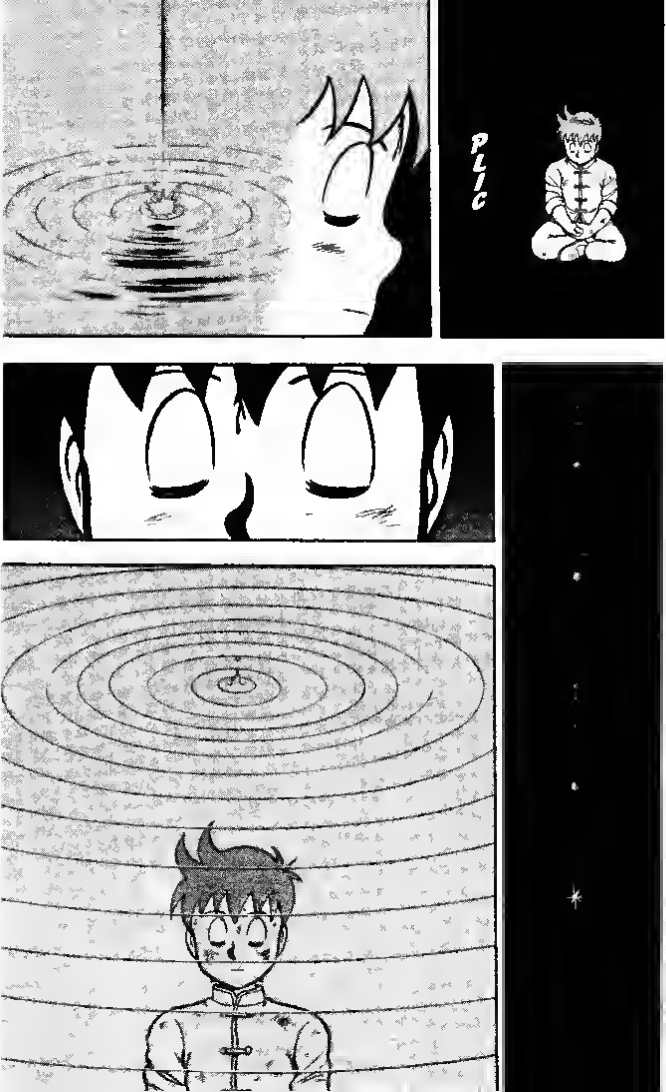
I MUST BE VERY QUICK TO BE ABLE TO KNOCK IT DOWN.
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
GRIP
YYAAHH
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP


TAKE THAT !!
GRI FF

STOM
ARGH!
IT DOESN'T WORK!
IF I DON'T DO SOMETHING, I WILL BE AN EASY PREY!
HA HA HA
KUA
MOVE BEFORE THINKING !!
WHEN YOU STRIKE AFTER HAVING THOUGHT ABOUT IT, IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE!
CHINMI!
!!
HA HA
WHAT CAN I DO?

EASIER SAID THAN DONE!
MOVE BEFORE THINKING ...
!!
I HAVE TO EMPTY MY MIND!
EMPTY MY MIND ENTIRELY!
THAT'S IT!
THE BUTTERFLY... I DIDN'T EVEN PLAN TO CATCH IT
I DIDN'T THINK ABOUT WHAT I WAS DOING
I EXTENDED MY HAND WITHOUT THINKING...

TO CALM DOWN ...
FIRST
I WILL GIVE IT A TRY!
FLAP FLAP FLAP
THEN CLEAR MY MIND!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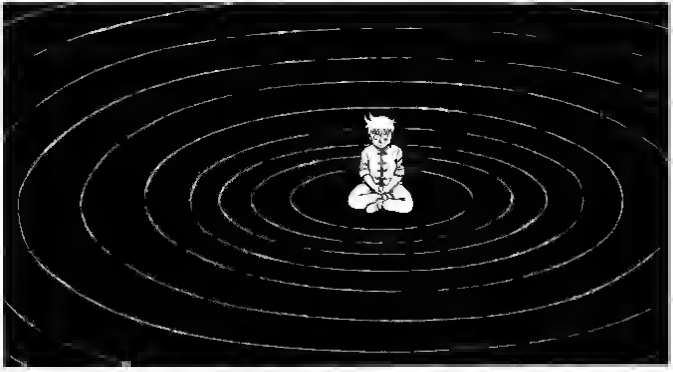
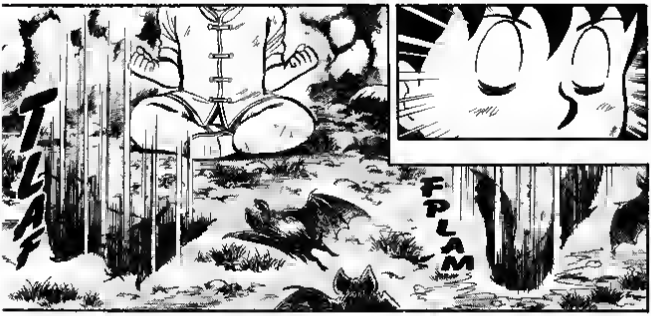


SIUT
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP

FLA FLA FLA FLA FLA

GATS
BOUM
PTUM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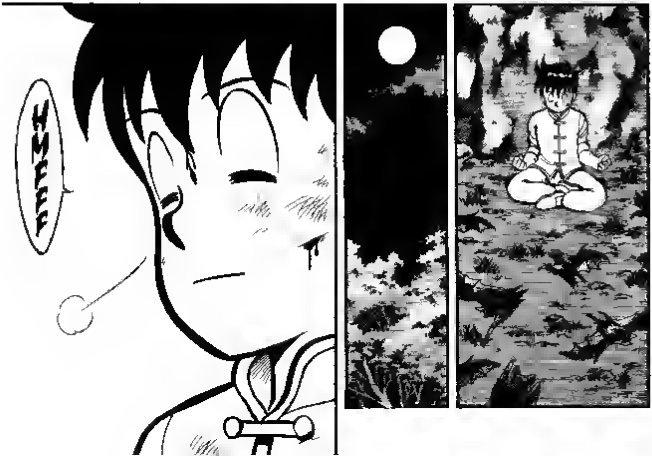
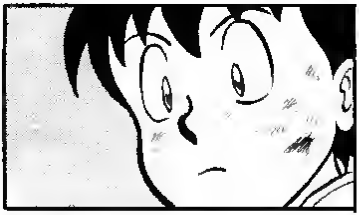

HMEEE

STAP
GOOD EVENING, I JUST ARRIVED



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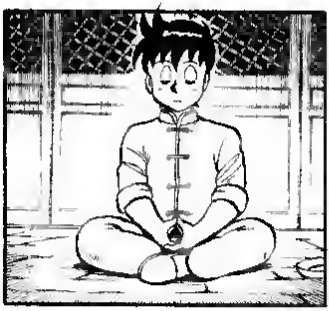

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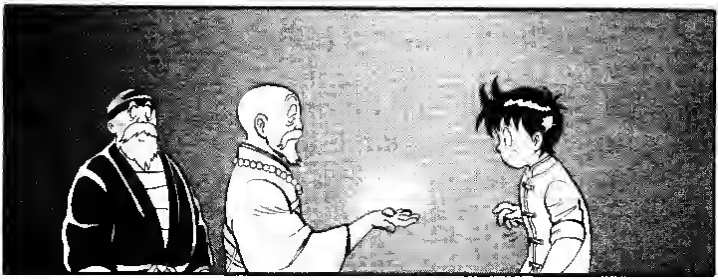

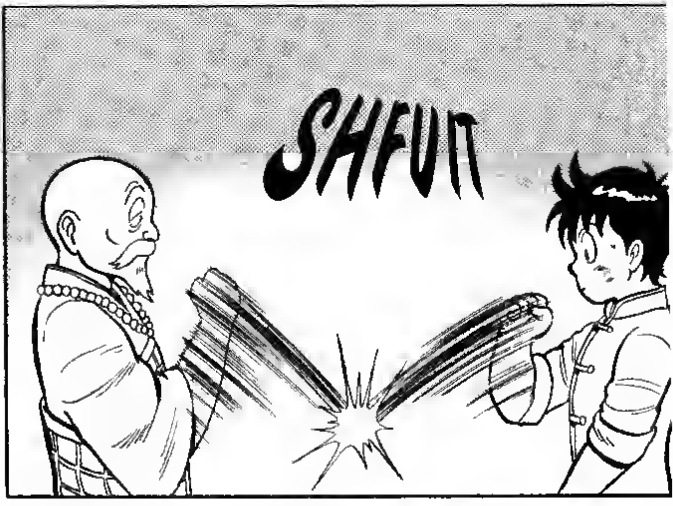
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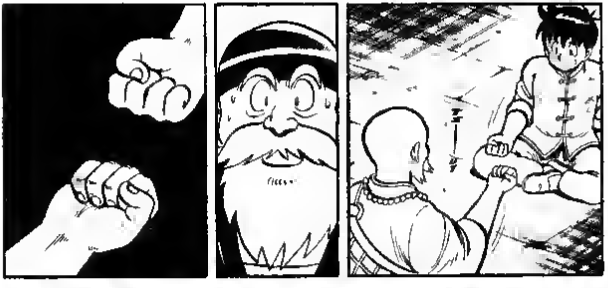
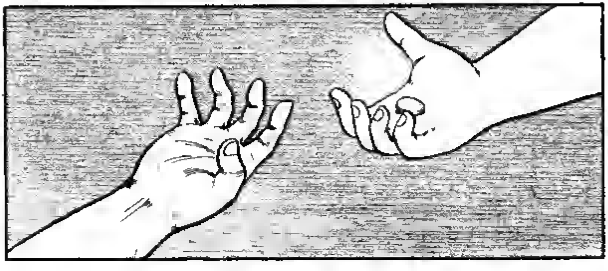


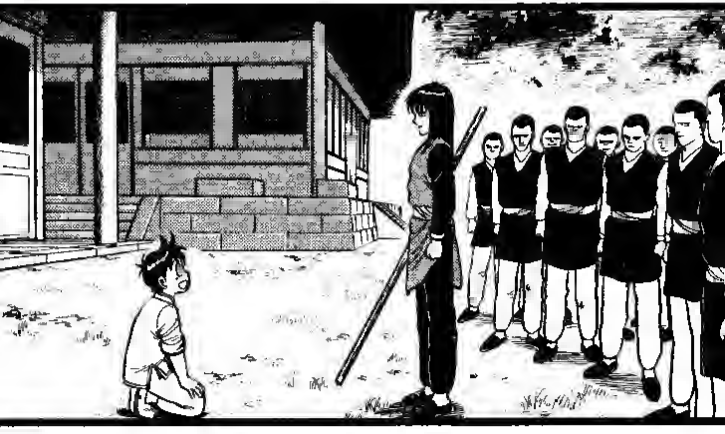


NI HI
WELL DONE, CON-GRATU-LATIONS.
THANK YOU !

# THE BAND OF THE RED HAND

# TEKKEN CHINMI

## RIKI THE BLIND MASTER



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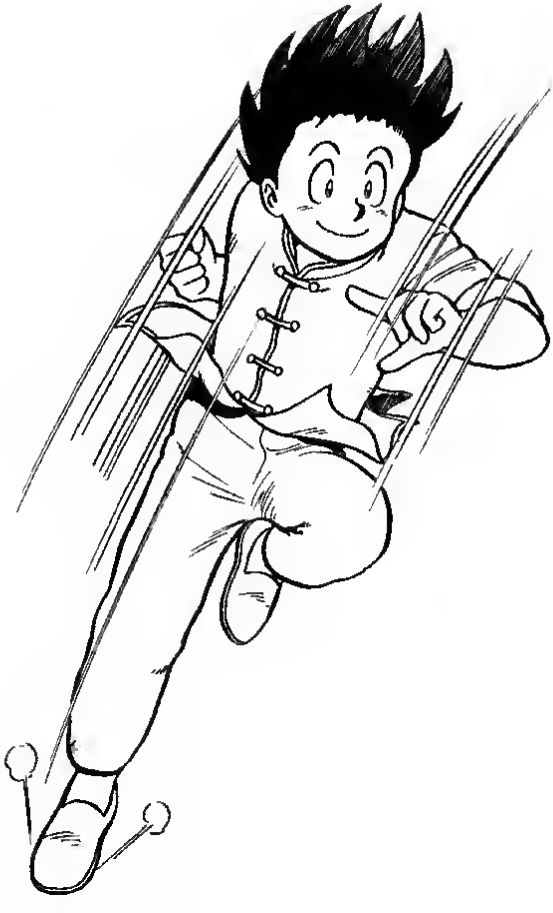


LET'S GO!

I HADN'T NOTICED ALL THESE FLOWERS HERE
HOW BEAUTIFUL!

WHAT TYPE OF FLOWER IS IT?

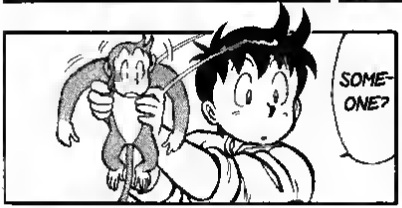
KTING
WOW!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE PICKED IT?

I'M SORRY.
I WISH I KNEW WHO THAT MAN WAS.
HE THREW THE BAMBOO STAFF WITHOUT TURNING BACK...
HE'S GOT EYES IN THE BACK THE HEAD OR WHAT?
THAT'S CRAZY!

YOU WANTED TO SEE ME?
GU!
HI GOKU.

AH, MASTER CHINMI. YOU'RE ALREADY HERE.
OLD MASTER.

GUIK GUIK
YES. ACTUALLY, MASTER CHINMI.
HA HA HA! COME ON!

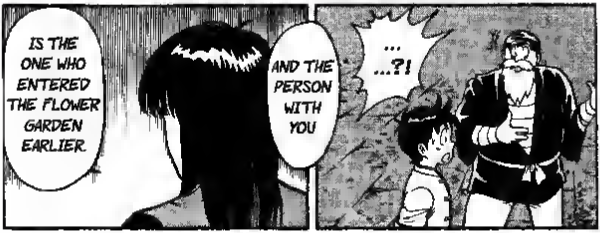

SOME-ONE?

I WANTED TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SOMEONE.
GUIK
GIK

BYE BYE!
SOMEONE VERY SPECIAL.
GUIK
PLEASE FOLLOW ME

?
PLEASE DO NOT TALK.
SHHH..
BUT, THAT'S WHERE..
YES.
IT'S THE GUY FROM EARLIER.
HE'S GOING TO THROW HIS STAFF AT ME AGAIN.

IT'S YOU, ISN'T IT?
OLD MASTER ...


IS THE ONE WHO ENTERED THE FLOWER GARDEN EARLIER.
AND THE PERSON WITH YOU
...
...?!

YOU'VE BEEN HERE ALREADY ?
SO, MASTER CHINMI,

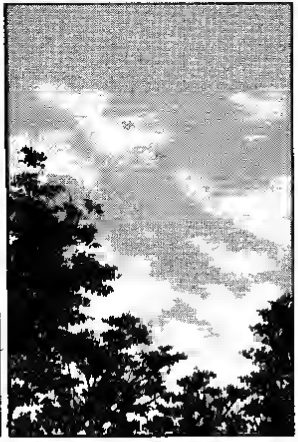
AND WE DIDN'T MAKE ANY NOISE.
THIS TIME AGAIN HE DIDN'T TURN BACK!
HOW DID HE KNEW?

INDEED ...
HUM.. YES..

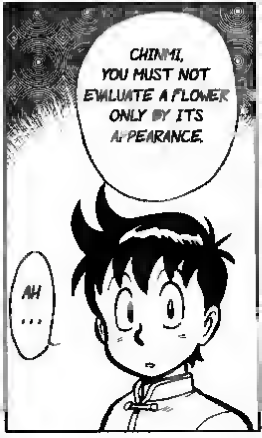
ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE YOU TO
RIKI, A GUN-FA* MASTER
* GUN-FA BOJYU, OR BOJUTSU THE ART OF THE BO (THE STAFF)
. . .
I SNEAKED IN.
IT'S MY OWN FAULT.
I ONLY WANTED TO SCARE YOU.
LATELY, ALOT OF PEOPLE DAMAGE THESE FLOWERS.
I'M SORRY FOR EARLIER.

HUH? CAN I ALREADY TRAIN IN WEAPONS MANIPULATION?
TO PRACTICE THE ART OF BOJYU.
YOU WILL STAY WITH MASTER RIKI FROM NOW ON.
IN PRINCIPLE, THE PRACTICE OF THE BO IS THE SAME AS THE KUNG-FU.
WEAPONS ARE ONLY THE EXTENSION OF THE HAND
ALRIGHT THEN, CHINMI STAYS WITH ME.
THEY SAY THAT THE STAFF IS THE ANCESTOR OF ALL WEAPONS. IT'S GOOD TO START LEARNING TO USE WEAPONS WITH THIS ONE.
OH! I WILL APPLY MYSELF THEN.
I AM IN YOUR CARE
THANK YOU MASTER

MASTER RIKI, YOU LOVE FLOWERS, DON'T YOU?



THESE FLOWERS HAD VERY BRIGHT COLORS.
WHEN YOU TAKE CARE OF THEM, THEY RESPOND


CHINMI, YOU MUST NOT EVALUATE A FLOWER ONLY BY ITS APPEARANCE.
AH ...

AND THAT'S WHEN YOU START TO SEE WHAT A FLOWER REALLY IS.
FIRST YOU SEE THEIR COLOR AND SHAPE.
THEN THEIR PERFUME.
AND NEXT, YOU'RE INTERESTED IN THE SOIL AND FERTILISER THAT ALLOWED THE FLOWER TO GROW.

AH, YES I UNDERSTAND.
FOR EXAMPLE, MEDICINAL HERBS ARE SOMETIMES UNATTRACTIVE.
AND SOME VERY BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS HAVE THORNS.
FLOWERS
SEEDS
HERBS
REALLY? VERY WELL.
MISTER RIKI, THE SEEDS YOU ORDERED HAVE ARRIVED
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
IT ALL ADDS UP.
HERE
NO IT'S ME. I THANK YOU.
I'M SORRY FOR THE WAITING.
IT TOOK A LOT OF TIME TO GET THEM.

SEEING HIM LIKE THIS, ONE WOULD NEVER IMAGINE THAT HE IS A BOJYU MASTER
HE HEY !
THERE YOU GO, THIS WILL MAKE ME BUSY
STAP
STAP
STAP
STAY HERE, GIRL!!
HELP!
HELP ME!
TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP

!!
HELP!

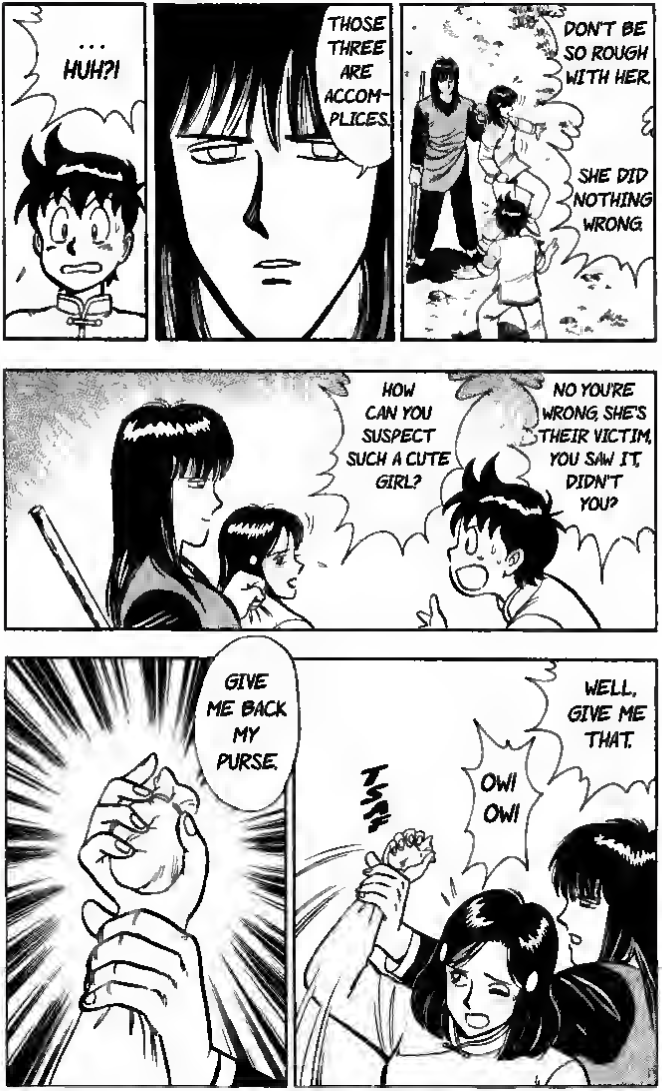
BAN-
DITS
!
THAT
WOMAN
IS
CHASED!

HELP!
HELP ME
PLEASE!

JUST
WAIT!!

HAND THE WOMAN OVER IF YOU DON'T WANT TROUBLES!
I'M CHASED BY ROBBERS !
RUN MISS, WHILE I'M HOLDING THEM OFF!
AH ...
YES!
COME! I'M WAITING FOR YOU!
LOOKING FOR A BEATING?!
HEY KID !

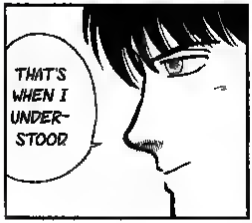
LE.. LET ME GO, PLEASE!
KYAAA
OW! YOU'RE HURTING ME.
MASTER RIKI, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
GRR
KYAA


...
HUH?!
THOSE THREE ARE ACCOM-PLICES.
DON'T BE SO ROUGH WITH HER.
SHE DID NOTHING WRONG.
HOW CAN YOU SUSPECT SUCH A CUTE GIRL?
NO YOU'RE WRONG, SHE'S THEIR VICTIM, YOU SAW IT, DIDN'T YOU?
GIVE ME BACK MY PURSE.
WELL, GIVE ME THAT.
TSUP
OWI OWI

IT DIDN'T WORK!
DAMN!
WHILE YOU'RE BUSY WITH THE PURSUERS
THE WOMAN MOVE INTO ACTION.
BUT, IT'S THAT WOMAN WHO TOOK IT?
IT'S A WELL KNOWN TRICK.
BUT... LET GO OF ME! LET GO OF ME!
I'VE ALMOST BEEN HAD.
WE'LL GET YOU FOR THAT !!

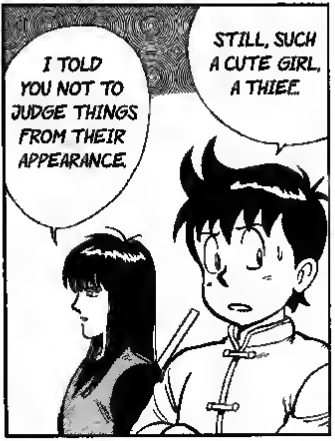
ALL THREE WERE WALKING TOGETHER ON THE PATH

YES
MASTER RIKI, YOU KNEW FROM THE VERY BEGINING, DIDN'T YOU?


THAT'S WHEN I UNDER-STOOD

WHEN THEY SAW US, SHE STARTED TO CRY AND RUN TOWARD US.
HUH?

JUDGE FROM A FIRST LOOK?
AND YOU, MASTER RIKI, DO YOU HAPPEN TO

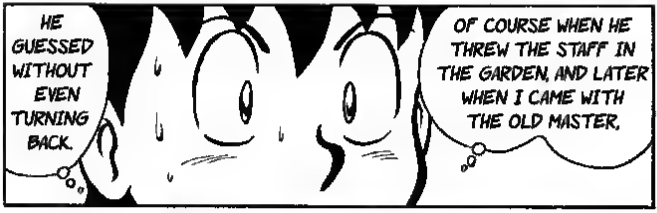

I TOLD YOU NOT TO JUDGE THINGS FROM THEIR APPEARANCE.
STILL, SUCH A CUTE GIRL, A THIEF.

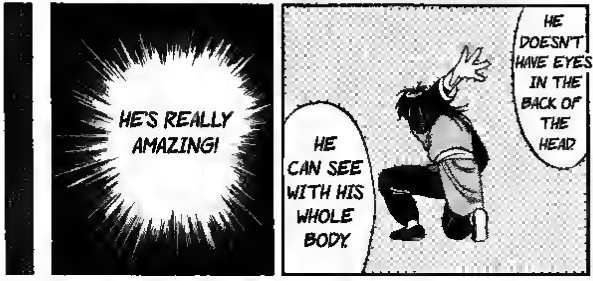
HUM ...
MASTER RIKI...
BUT YOU ...
YOUR EYES ...
YES ...

INDEED
I AM BLIND
YOU'RE BLIND BUT...
THE KUNG-FU

BEEING BLIND ENTAILS A LOT OF DISAVANTAGES...
BUT ME, MY EYES ARE IN MY HEART.

PRESENCE, SOUNDS, SMELLS... I CAN PROBABLY SEE MORE THAN SOMEONE WHO LOOKS ONLY WITH HIS EYES.
MY EYES DO NOT SEE, BUT ALL MY OTHER SENSES ARE SHARP AND I FEEL A LOT OF THINGS.


HE GUESSED WITHOUT EVEN TURNING BACK.
OF COURSE WHEN HE THREW THE STAFF IN THE GARDEN, AND LATER WHEN I CAME WITH THE OLD MASTER,


HE'S REALLY AMAZING!
HE CAN SEE WITH HIS WHOLE BODY.
HE DOESN'T HAVE EYES IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD

HERE WE ARE.
KTAN
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HA
WOT
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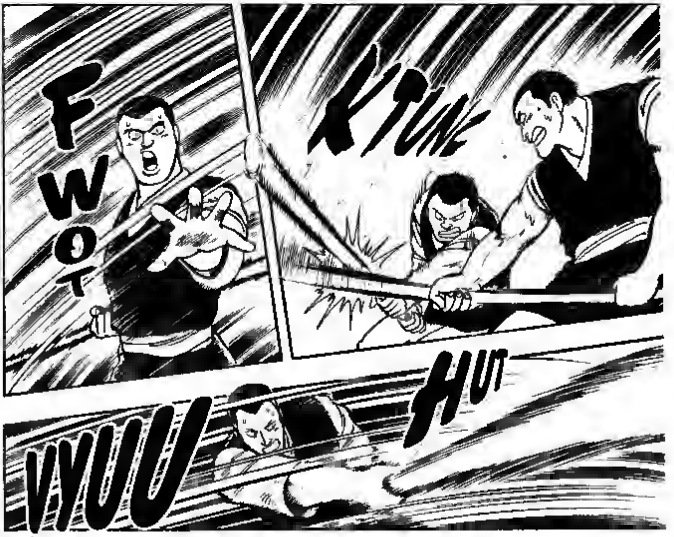
KTAN
KTUN
VUN
HA!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HUT
VYUU

WOW, SO MUCH ENERGY!
KTUN
KTUN
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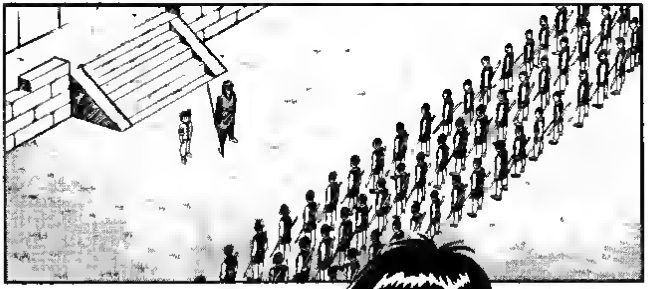


YOU PROBABLY HAVE HEARD HIS NAME ALREADY.
THIS IS CHINMI. FROM NOW ON HE WILL LEARN THE BOJYU WITH US.

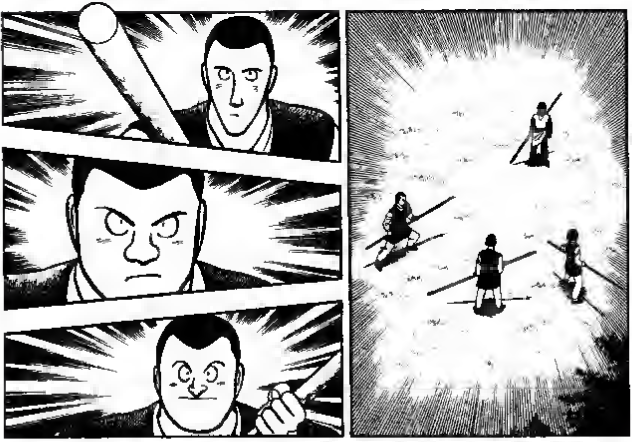
THANK YOU FOR ACCEPTING ME.

REALLY ?
HE DEFEATED THE BLACK FLAME.
THIS IS GONNA BE INTERESTING.

SM AT

PO, SHOP SUEY, COME FORWARD.
WE WILL START THE TRAINING. CHINMI, STAY ON THE SIDE AND OBSERVE.
YES.
YES!
IS HE GOING TO FACE ALL THREE AT THE SAME TIME?
WE WILL DO A RANDORI.*

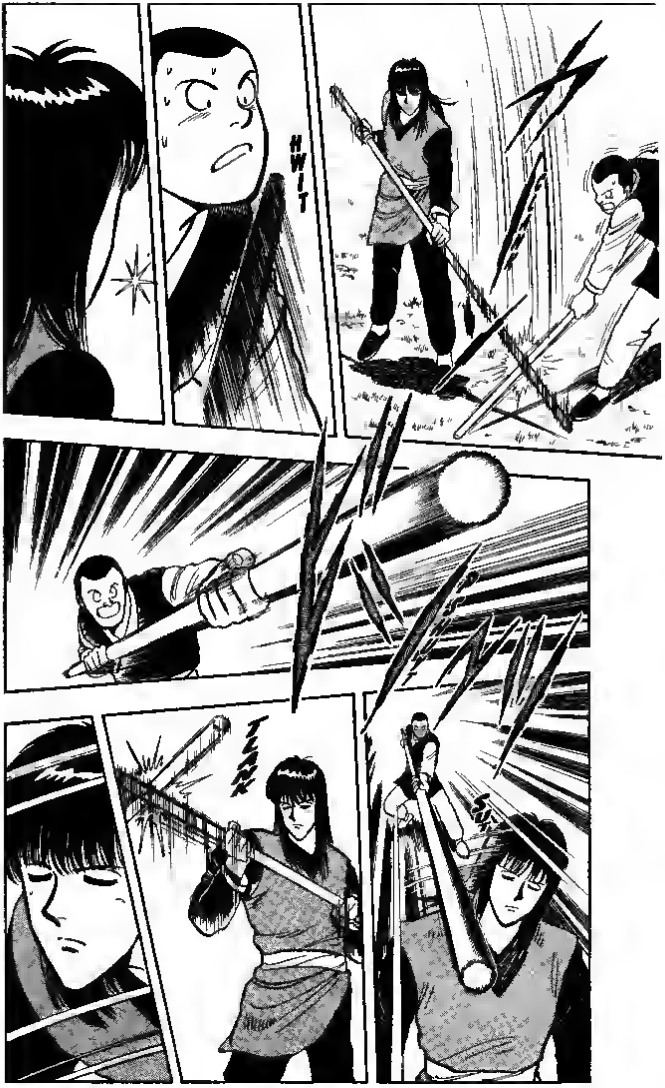
* RANDORI : SPARRING AGAINST ONE OR SEVERAL OPPONENTS.



FSSASAA!

FSAT
THEY'RE BOTH ATTACKING TOGETHER.
STAB!

FU?
HUH
KUH
AH
WOOT!!

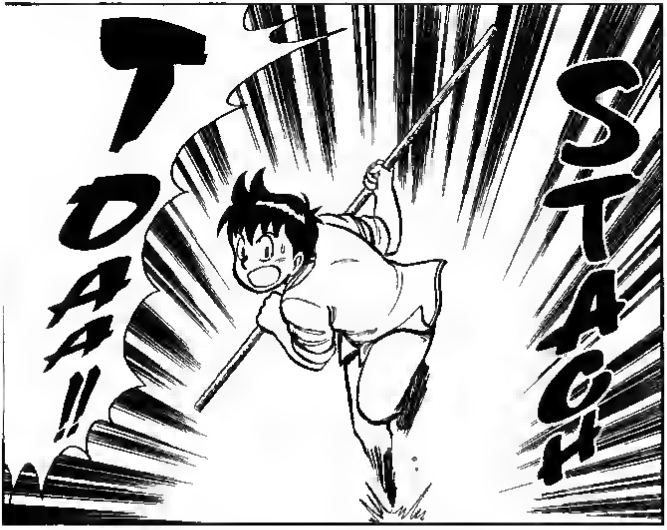

HWIT
TANK

SPIT
DO YOUR FEET HURT?
SUEY
PFEW!
I'VE GOT A LITTLE SPRAIN.
YES, INDEED.
YOU SHOULD REST.
YOU'RE NOT AS SWIFT AS USUAL.

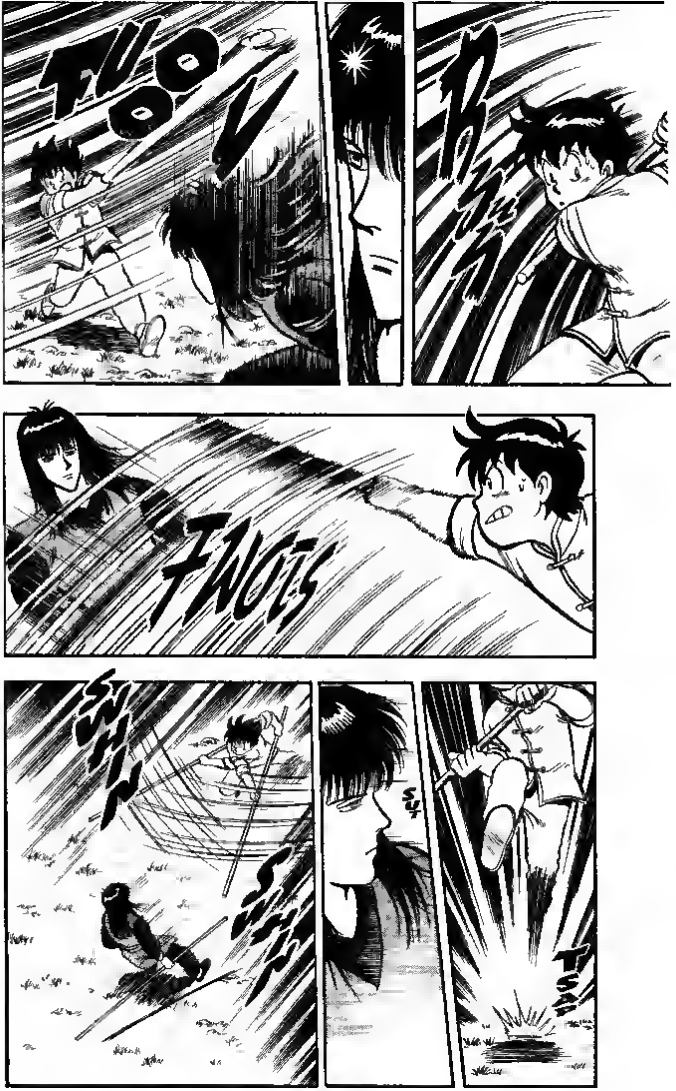
THANK YOU, MASTER!
SHO? YOU NEED TO USE YOUR WAIST MORE.
YES !
PO, YOU'RE NOT HOLDING YOUR STAFF FIRMLY ENOUGH.
DO NOT FORGET EITHER TO USE YOUR WRISTS.
YES !
CHINMI
NONE OF HIS MOVEMENTS IS UN-NECESSARY.
DESPITE BEEING BLIND, HE CAN FACE THESE STRONG MEN. AND MORE OVER, HE DEFEATS THEM EASILY.
YES ?
AND HE GIVES PRECISE ADVICES...

OF COURSE. YOU ARE HERE TO LEARN THE BASIS OF BOJYU.
HUM... ME?
WE WILL GIVE IT A TRY.
TAKE A STAFF.
ATTACK ME. YOU CAN USE AS MANY STAVES AS YOU WANT.
BUT FIRST, YOU NEED TO GET ACCUSTOMED TO MANIPULATING THE STAFF.
WELL ...
ALRIGHT.
OK.
GO ON WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.
COURAGE CHINMI!

BJ UYN
TFUYN
MFHHH
VHUIN
I'M WAITING FOR YOU
I'M NOT SURE TO BE UP TO IT, BUT I MUST GIVE MY ALL.
THANK YOU FOR TEACHING ME!


STACH
TOAA!!

TSIIIN
OOH
STAAA!!
WHAT'S NEXT?


TU-O-N
KI-I-I
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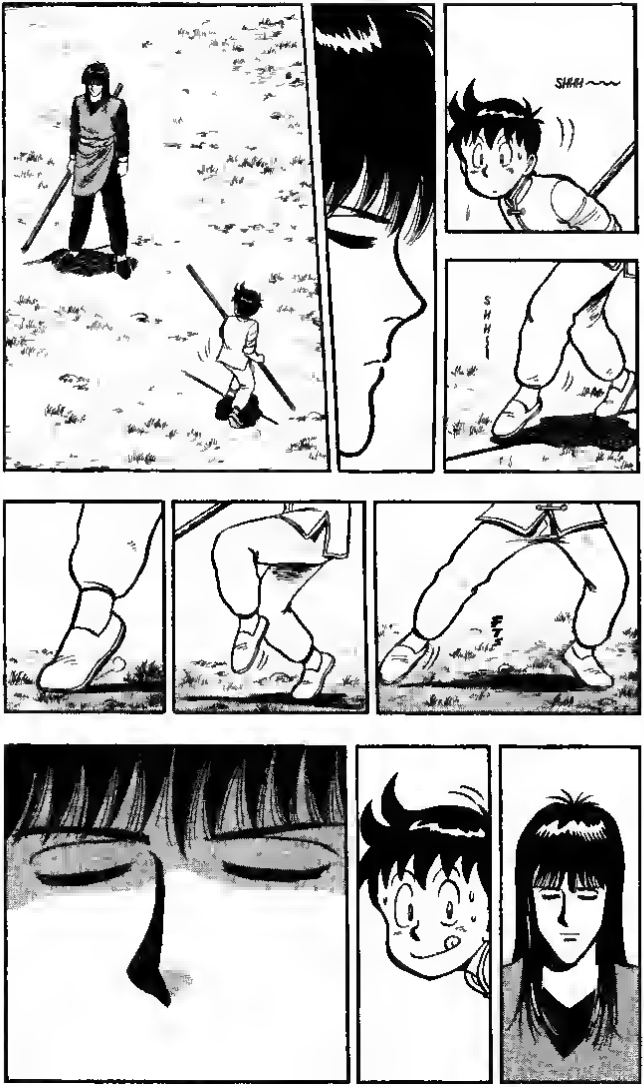
TSAP

HA
HA
DOES HE REALLY SEE WITH HIS HEART'S EYES?
TSOM


SHH~~~
SHHH!

KRAK
SIUT
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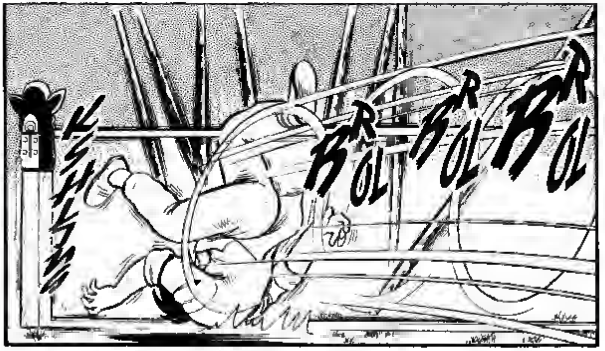
WONK
WOOA HAA !!
CATCH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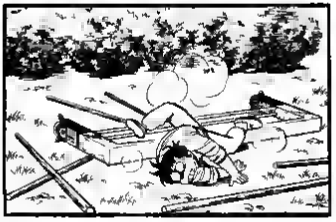
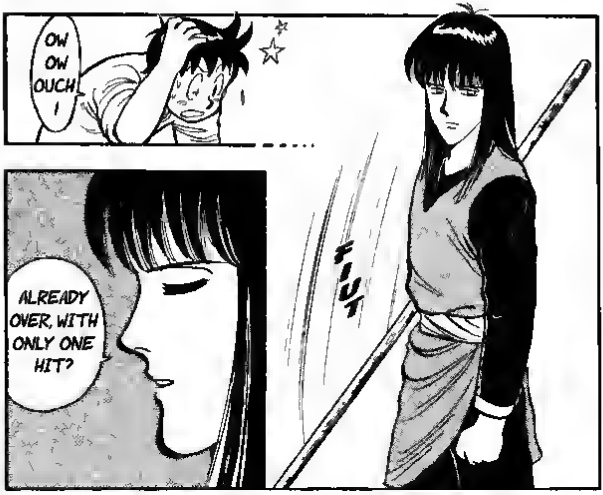
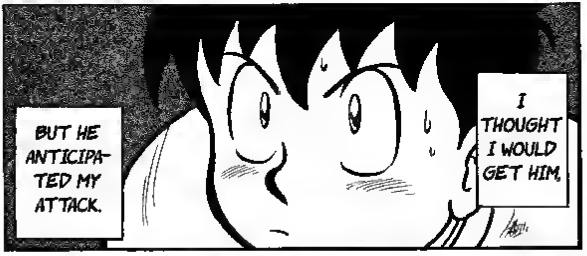
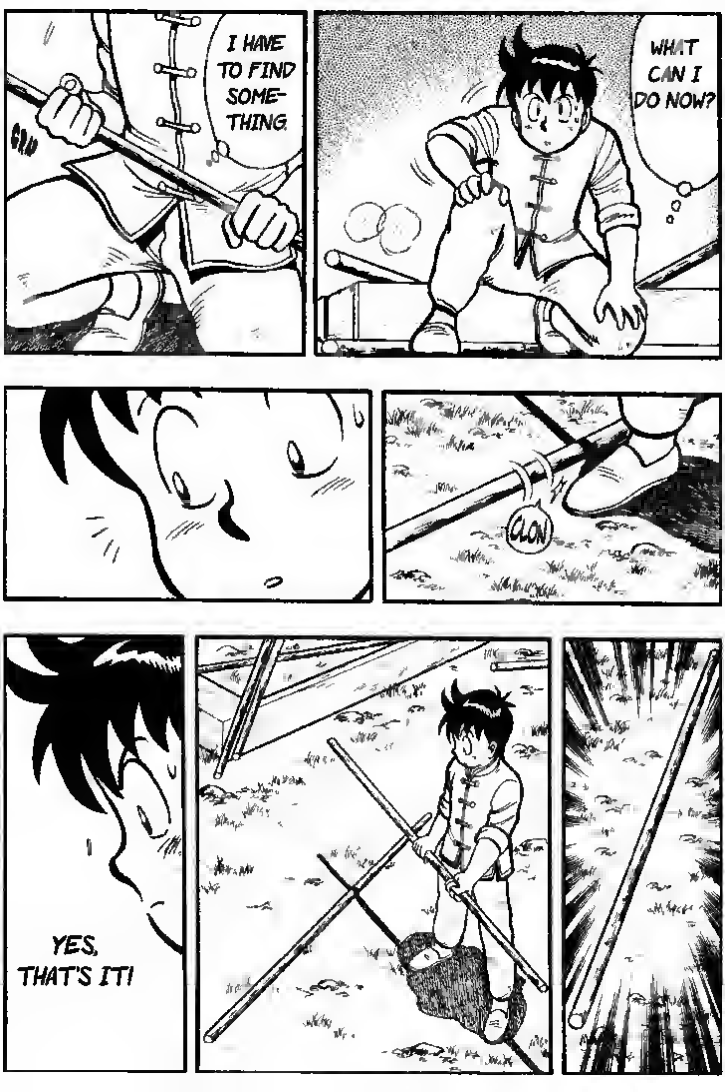



OW OW OUCH!
.....
ALREADY OVER, WITH ONLY ONE HIT?
FIUT


I THOUGHT I WOULD GET HIM.
BUT HE ANTICIPATED MY ATTACK.

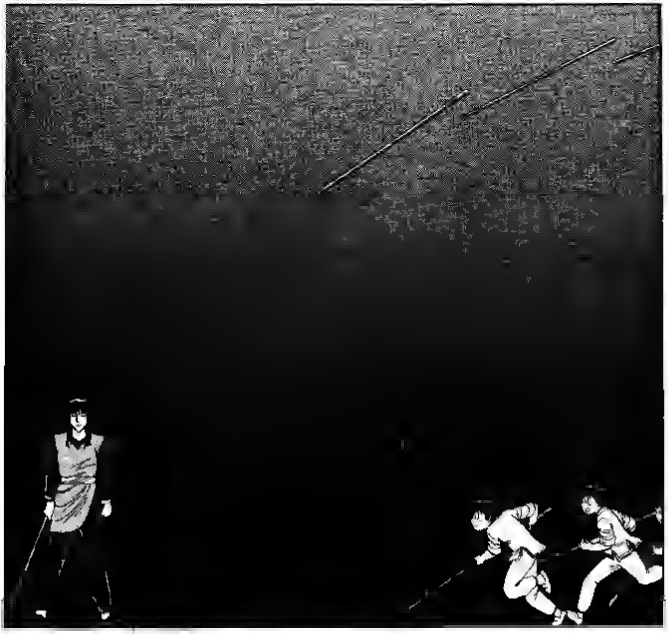
I CAN'T GET ANY ATTACK THROUGH!

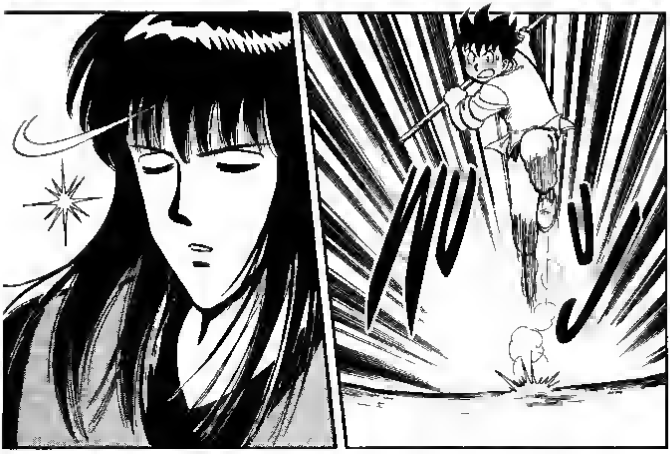
MASTER RIKI CAN KNOW MY MOVEMENTS FROM THE AIR I MOVE OR THE NOISE I MAKE.


I HAVE TO FIND SOME-THING
CLO
WHAT CAN I DO NOW?
CLON
YES, THAT'S IT!

MASTER RIKI SAID THAT I CAN USE AS MANY STAVES AS I WANT.
THIS WAY HE WILL HAVE A HARD TIME SPOTTING MY PRESENCE. I'M GOING TO STAKE IT ALL.

STACH
WITH THIS TACTIC...





HE WILL FEEL ONLY ONE PRESENCE...

WHILE BEEING
SUBJECTED
TO TWO
ATTACKS!!

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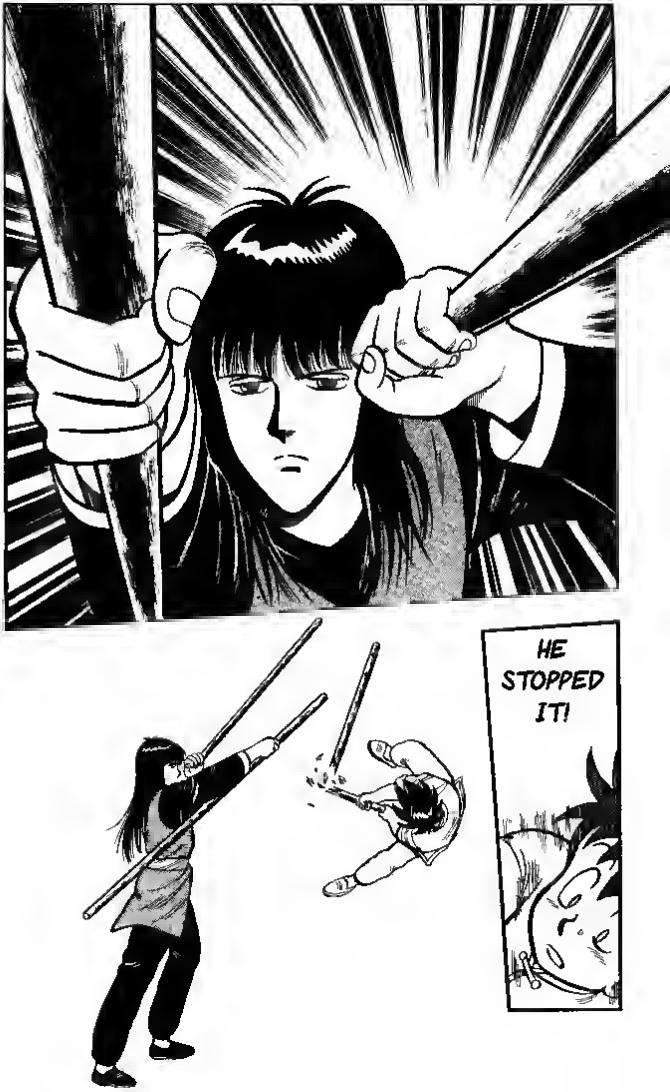
ガシッ

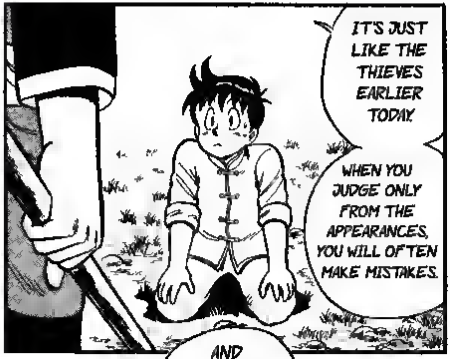
KRAK


HE STOPPED IT!

PATTA
HWIH
OWI OWI
OWI
DUmm IT
HA
HA
HA

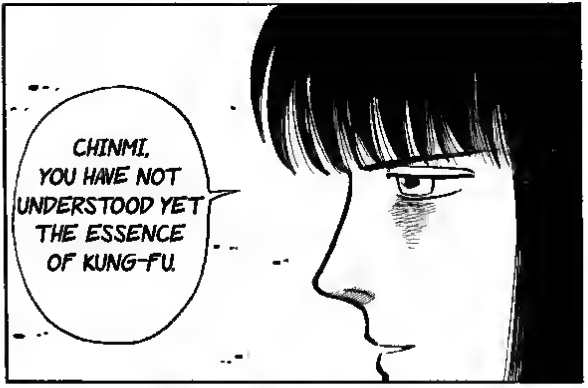
YOU WERE PROBABLY THINKING TOO MUCH ABOUT ME BEEING BLIND.

YOU ALMOST GOT ME
BUT WHEN YOU ATTACKED WITH ONLY ONE STAFF, I UNDER-STOOD.

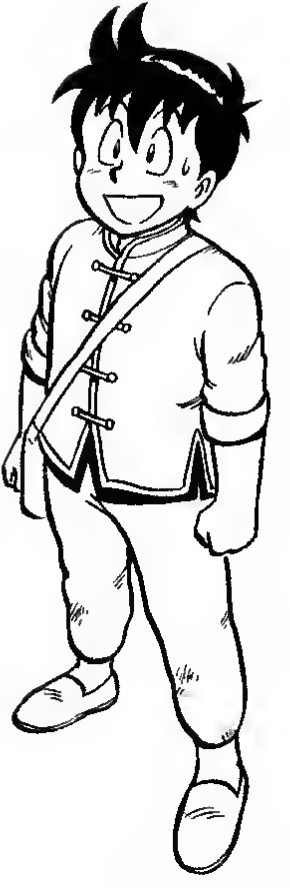

IT'S JUST LIKE THE THIEVES EARLIER TODAY.
WHEN YOU JUDGE ONLY FROM THE APPEARANCES, YOU WILL OFTEN MAKE MISTAKES.

AND THAT'S ALSO TRUE FOR THE PRACTICE OF KUNG-FU.

IF YOU ATTACH TOO MUCH IMPORTANCE TO APPEARANCES, YOU WILL NOT SEE WHAT'S ESSENTIAL.


CHINMI, YOU HAVE NOT UNDERSTOOD YET THE ESSENCE OF KUNG-FU.

FROM TOMORROW, WE WILL SERIOUSLY START YOUR TRAINING.
THANK YOU, I AM GRATE-FUL!
TO BE CONTINUED



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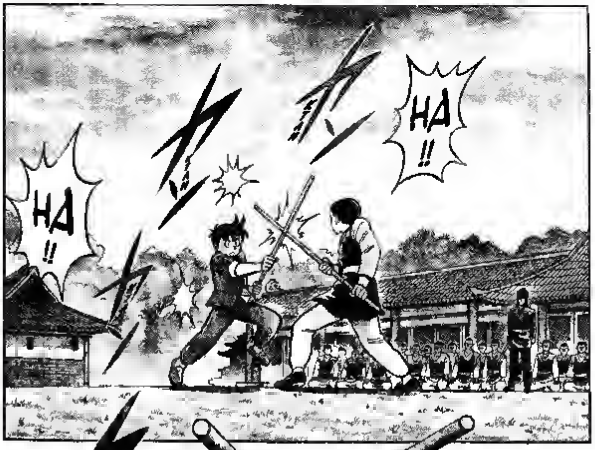
# LIKE A BENDING REED


HA
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HA
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HA
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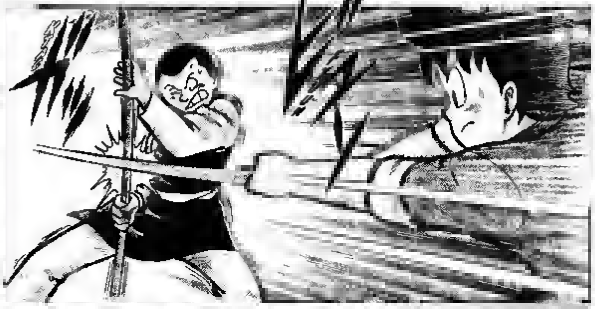


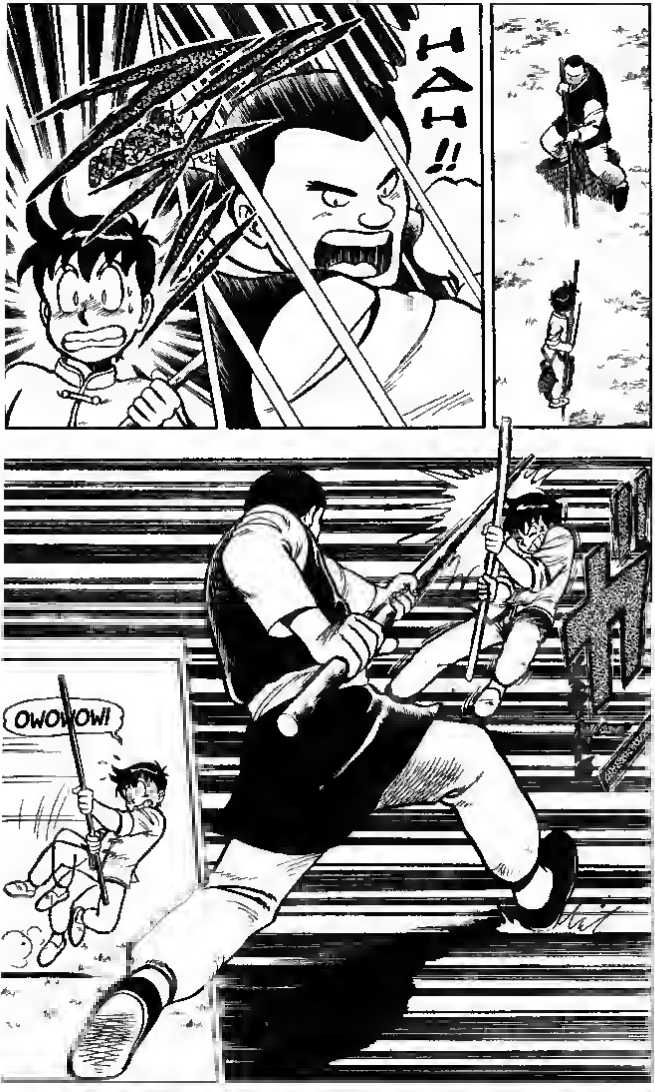
чуда
VERY WELL. STOP!

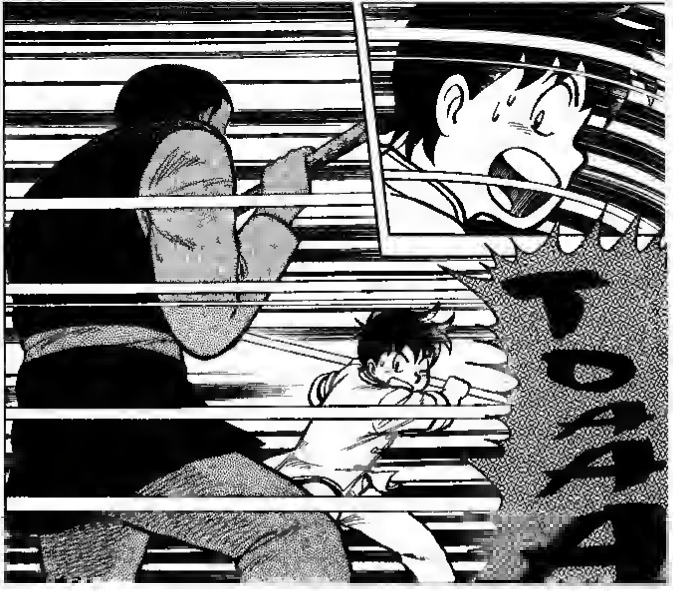
I'VE NEVER SEEN SOMEONE PROGRESS THIS FAST.
CHINMI HANDLES THINGS WELL.
I BELIEVE I'M FINALLY GETTING USED TO THE STAFF.
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
IF YOU KEEP TRAINING LIKE THIS, YOU WILL IMPROVE VERY FAST.
YES.
HANG IN THERE CHINMI.
DON'T WORRY, THEY WILL SOON HARDEN.
BUT THE BLISTERS ON MY HANDS BURST AGAIN.
IT'S THE FIFTH TIME NOW.
THE CALLUSES ARE HARD.
AH YES.
LIKE THIS, LOOK.

CHINMI
YOU WILL DO ONE MORE FIGHT.
YES!

TEIKI I WANT YOU TO CONFRONT HIM.
VERY WELL!

WHAT A GIANT!
PFEW!
TUM
TUM
HE HAS TO BE QUITE STRONG...
LET'S SEE... HOW WILL I ATTACK HIM?
TSAT
START!


HAH!!
OWOWOW!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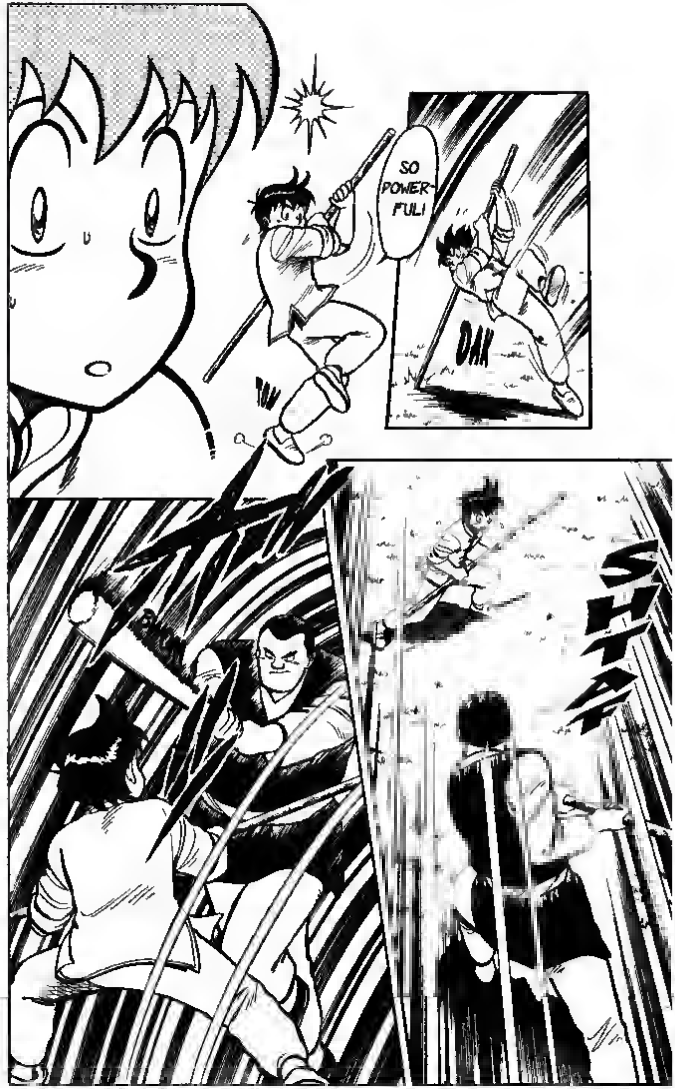
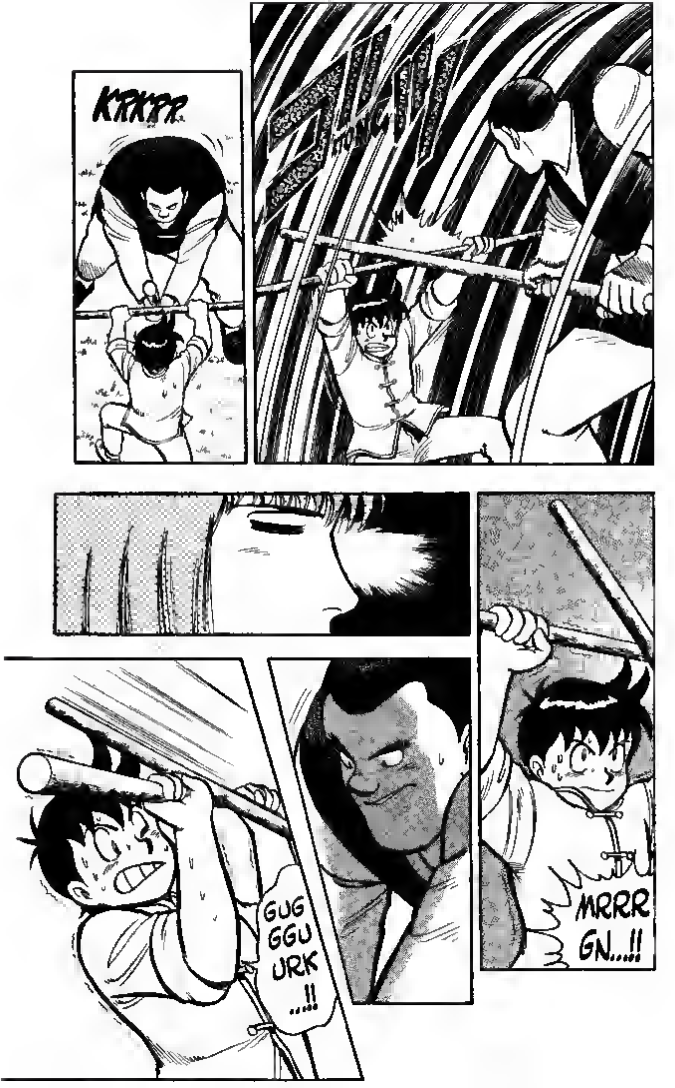
HJAA!!
TS

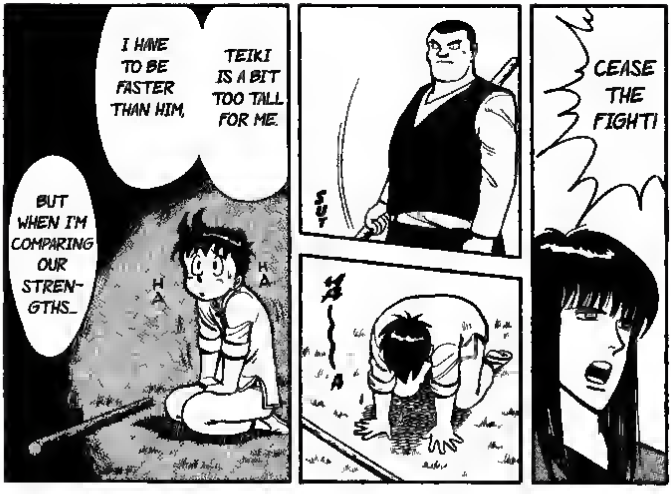
KTANG

ZUZZ
BIMK
TOAH!!
DAN!


SO POWER-FUL!
DAH
SHTAP

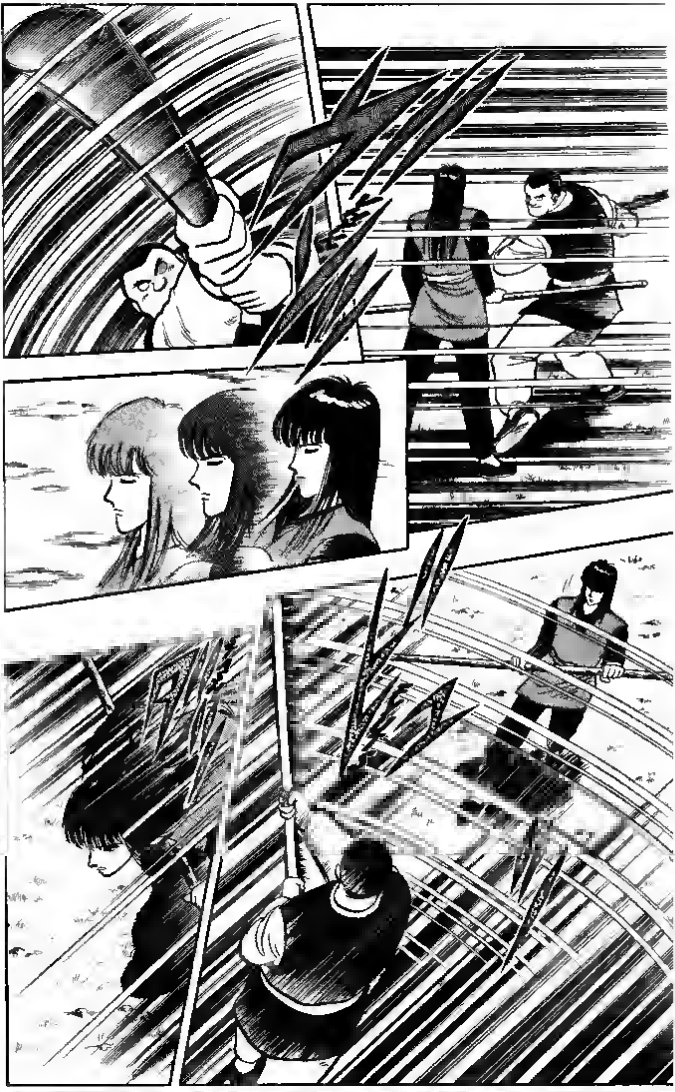

KRKPP
GUG GGU URK ...!!
MRRR GN...!!

TOK TOK TOK
OOPS!
SUT
SHRIK
STIP


I HAVE TO BE FASTER THAN HIM,
TEIKI IS A BIT TOO TALL FOR ME.
BUT WHEN I'M COMPARING OUR STRENGTHS_
HA
HA
SUT
CEASE THE FIGHT!

IT'S AN HONOR, MASTER!
TEIKI, YOU WILL FACE ME NOW.
COME.
SUU

HYAAR!!



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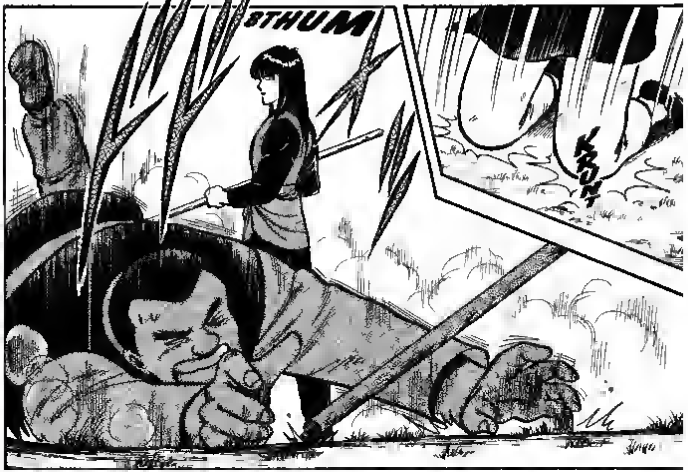
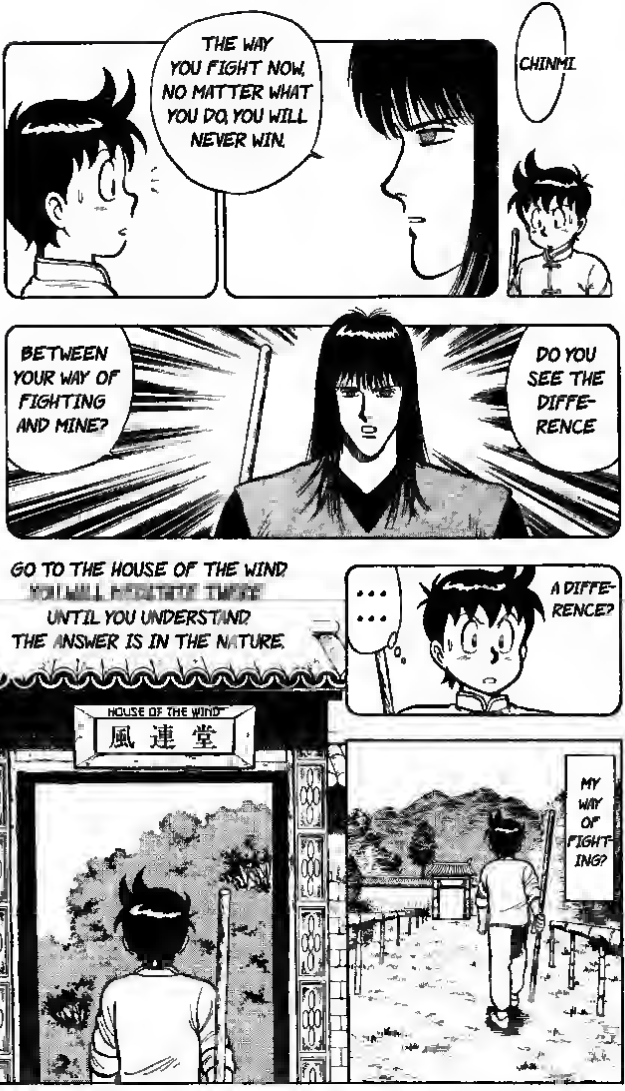

STHUM

HE...
HE'S SO STRONG!

IT'S AMAZING! HE'S REALLY TOO STRONG !!
MASTER RIKI WHO'S BLIND
DEFEATED TEIKI IN ONE GO


THE WAY YOU FIGHT NOW, NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO, YOU WILL NEVER WIN.
CHINMI
BETWEEN YOUR WAY OF FIGHTING AND MINE?
DO YOU SEE THE DIFFE-RENCE
GO TO THE HOUSE OF THE WIND
UNTIL YOU UNDERSTAND
THE ANSWER IS IN THE NATURE.
A DIFFE-RENCE?
HOUSE OF THE WIND
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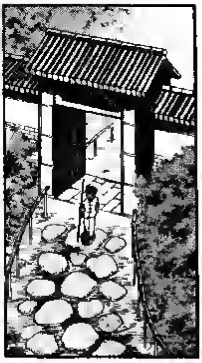
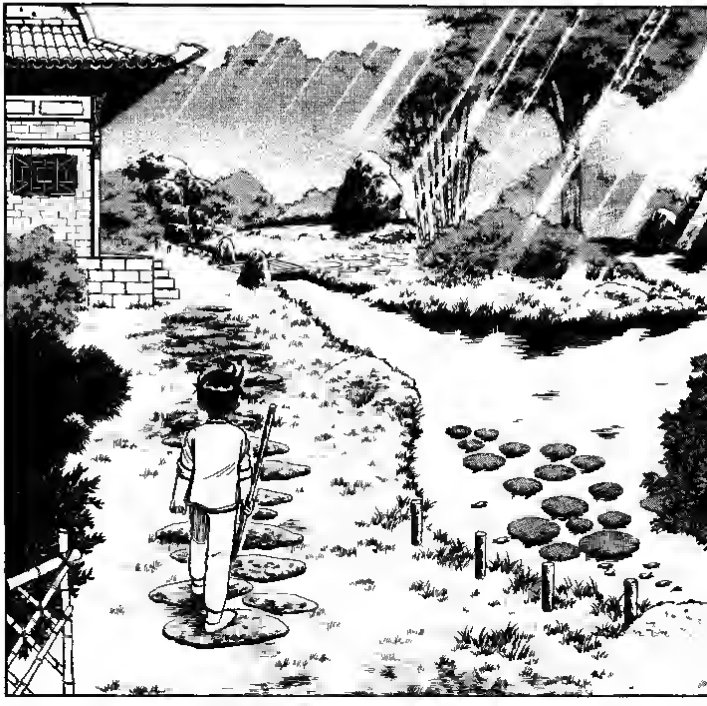
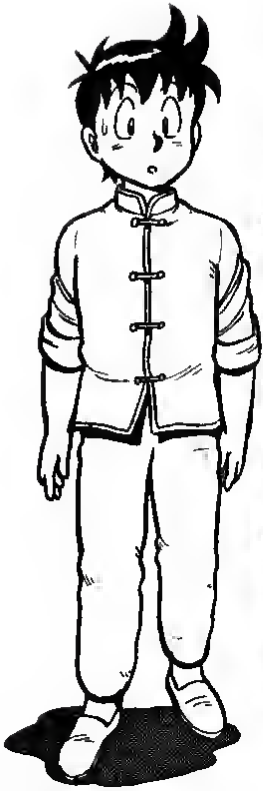
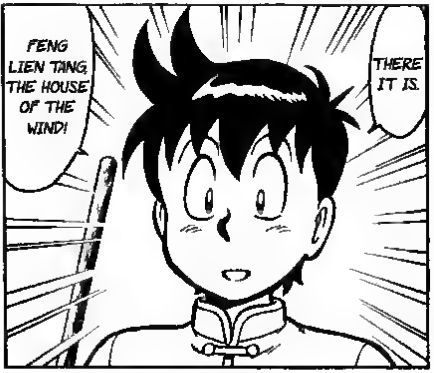
MY WAY OF FIGHTING?



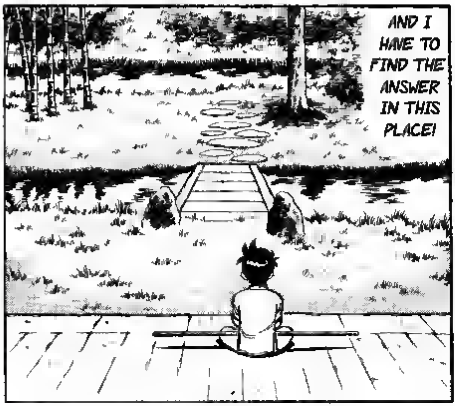





FENG LIEN TANG, THE HOUSE OF THE WIND!
THERE IT IS.

IT'S VERY BEAU-TIFUL

A DIFFERENCE IN THE WAY WE FIGHT, MASTER RIKI AND I?


AND I HAVE TO FIND THE ANSWER IN THIS PLACE!

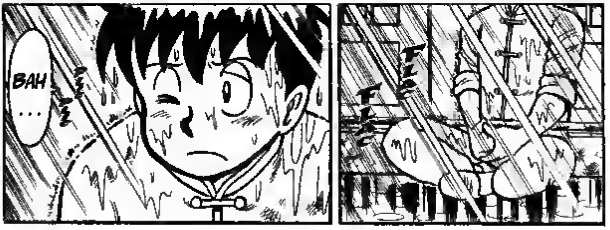
TS
NC
KUS
FLAP FLAP
WHAT CAN BE THE LINK BETWEEN THE BOJYU AND THIS GARDEN?
WHERE IS THE ANSWER?
...
...

DO YOU SEE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOUR WAY OF FIGHTING AND MINE?
THE WAY YOU FIGHT NOW, NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO, YOU WILL NEVER WIN
THE DIFFE-RENCE
WILL I REALLY FIND THE ANSWER HERE?

PLUK
HA
PLITCH
I DON'T GET IT.
KIP DIT
SFYUUH

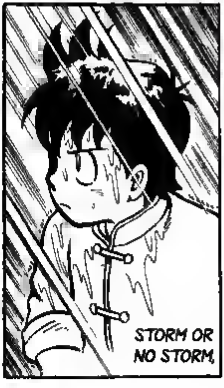
HYUUU
IT'S RAIN-ING.
PLOC
FHA
SHHH

BROM
BROM
SHH
A STORM IS BREWING
SFHAA
BROMBROLOM

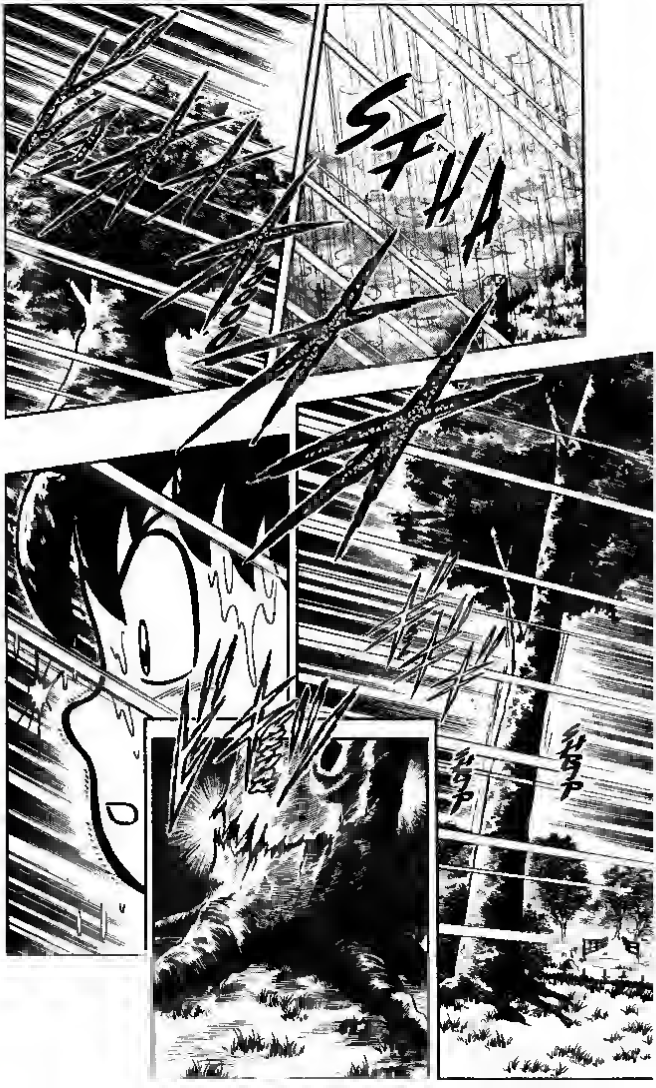

BAH...

WOOOAH!

I WILL NOT MOVE FROM HERE!!
AS LONG AS I DON'T FIND THE ANSWER,


STORM OR NO STORM,

?!
CRACK
WHAT? THAT BIG TREE IS GIVING WAY?!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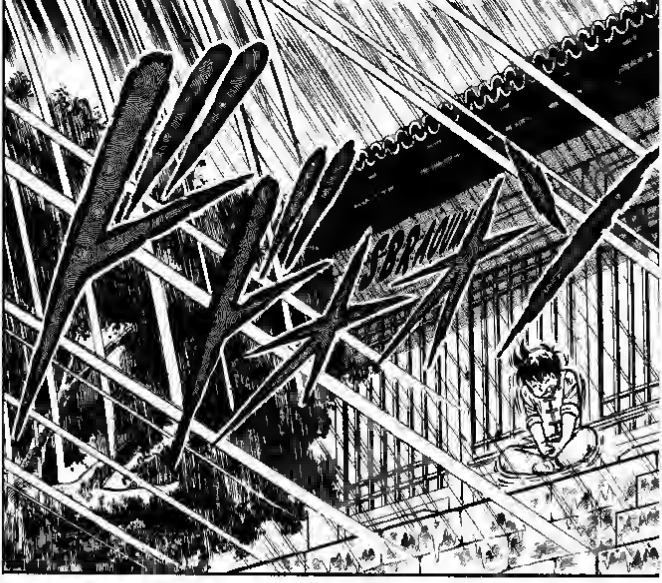
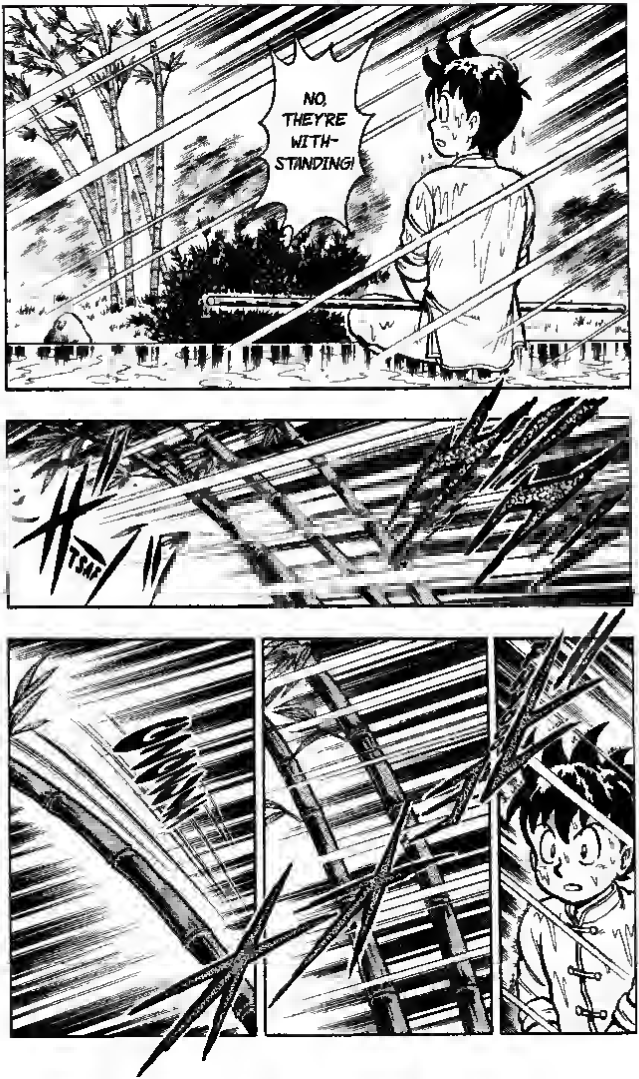

KRAK
SBRAUUK

UP-
ROO-
TED!
SUCH
A BIG
TREE
HAVE
BEEN

HHH
FHAAM

SASASA
THE BAMBOO REEDS TOO ARE SWEPT BY THE WIND!
KSH
THEY WILL SOON BE TORN OFF!

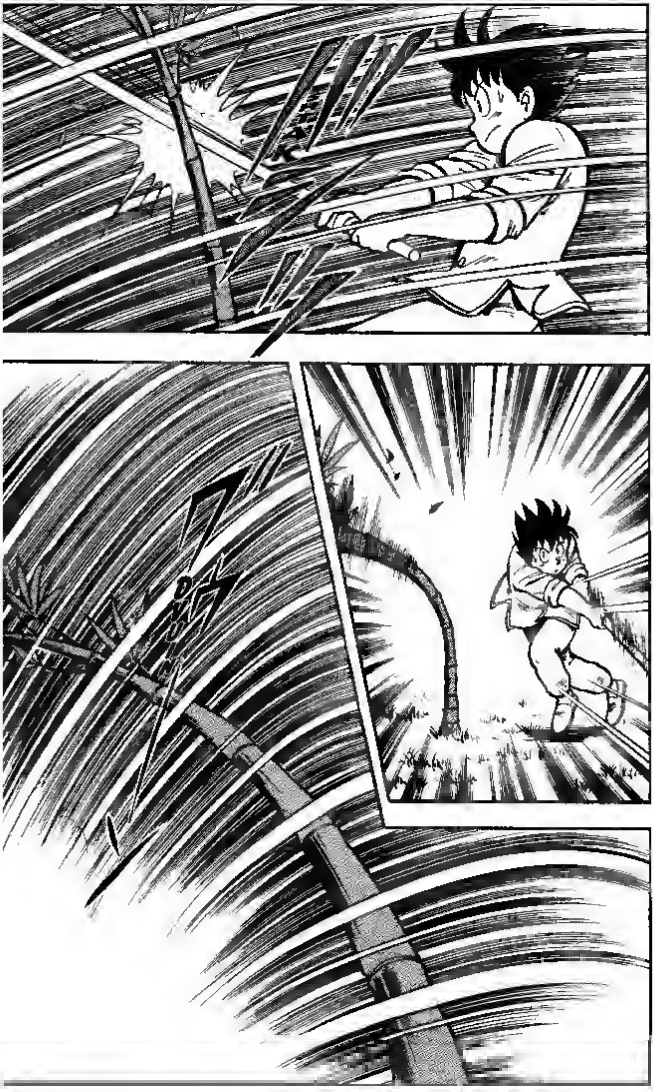

NO, THEY'RE WITH-STANDING!
TSAP
CHUNK

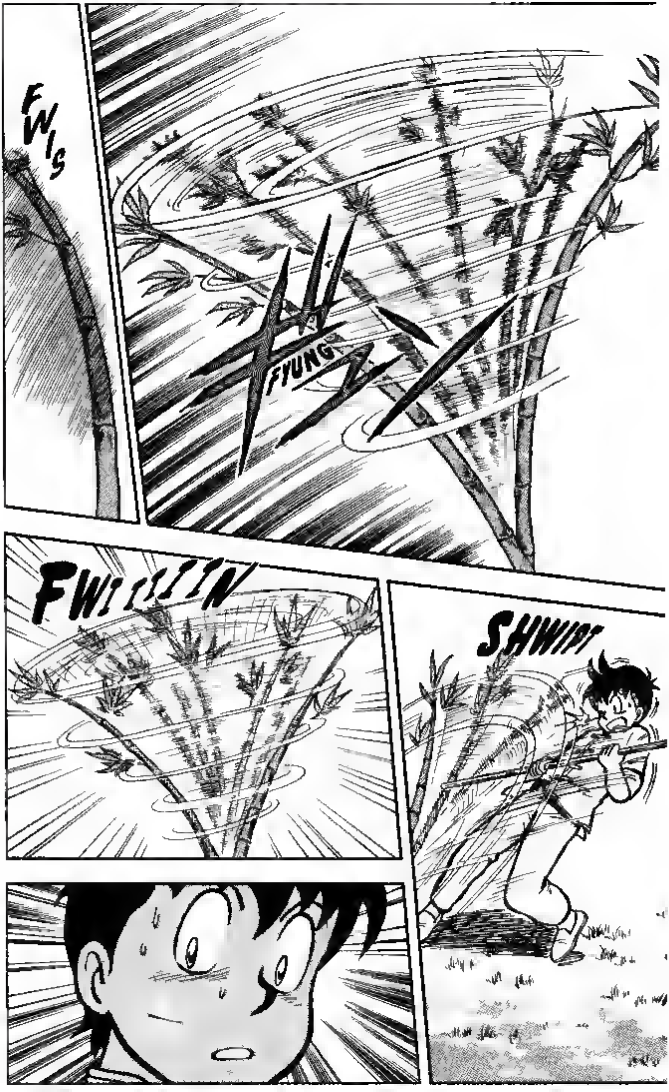
IT'S INCREDIBLE HOW THEY'RE BENDING!
CRUT
CRACK
CRRRR
THIS TIME THEY'RE GONNA BREAK!

ZOAN!!
NUUU
THE TREE WAS BIGGER AND STRONGER THAN THE BAMBOO REEDS.
THEY'RE RESISTING DESPITE THIS STORM!
NO! THEY'RE STILL NOT BREAKING!
BUT IT DIDN'T RESIST TO THE WIND AND BROKE!

SHEAAAH
WUHU
THEY BEND COMPLIANTLY UNDER THE WIND'S BLOW.
BUT WHY? WHY ARE THEY NOT BREAKING?
I GOT IT! OF COURSE!
SHAU
THEY'RE NOT PUTTING UP RESISTANCE TO THE WIND.

THE BAMBOOS, FOLLOW THE MOVEMENT OF THE WIND AND DO NO BREAK.
THE TREE STAYS UPRIGHT AND TRIES TO RESIST TO THE WIND. THAT'S WHY IT'S BREAKING.




FWIS
FYUNG
FWISSSS

THAT'S IT! I UNDER-STAND!
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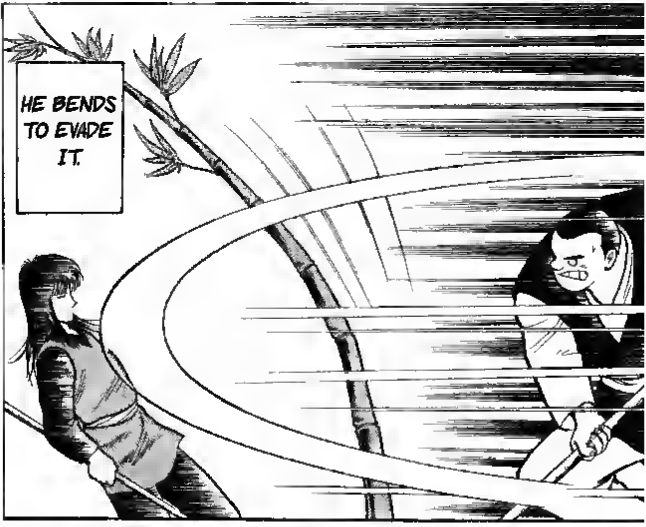
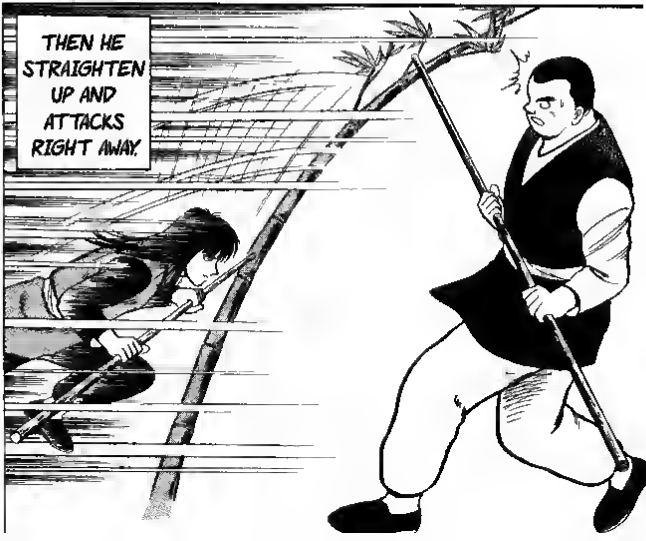
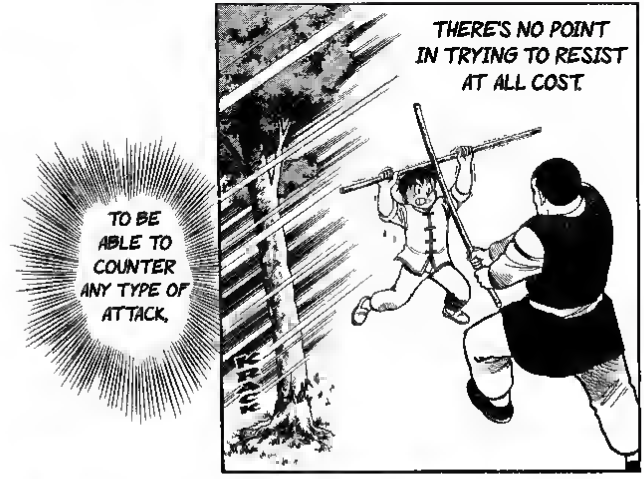
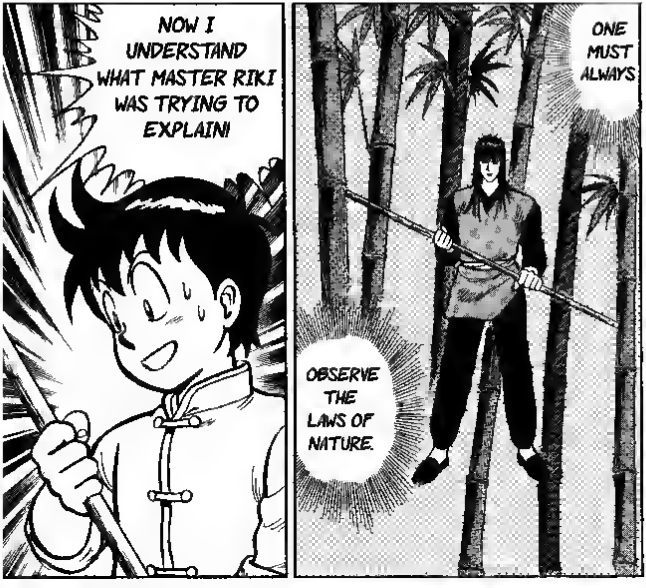
...
OUCH
MASTER RIKI MOVES LIKE THE BAMBOO REEDS!
WHEN HE'S FACING A GREAT POWER,


HE BENDS TO EVADE IT.


THEN HE STRAIGHTEN UP AND ATTACKS RIGHT AWAY.


THERE'S NO POINT IN TRYING TO RESIST AT ALL COST.
TO BE ABLE TO COUNTER ANY TYPE OF ATTACK.


NOW I UNDERSTAND WHAT MASTER RIKI WAS TRYING TO EXPLAIN!
ONE MUST ALWAYS
OBSERVE THE LAWS OF NATURE.

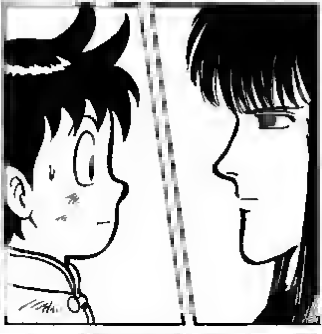
FLOOP
HEY! CHINMI HAS COME BACK!
CUT

YOU'RE STILL ALIVE THEN, CHINMI?
NOT BEEN BLOWN AWAY BY THAT DREADFUL STORM?

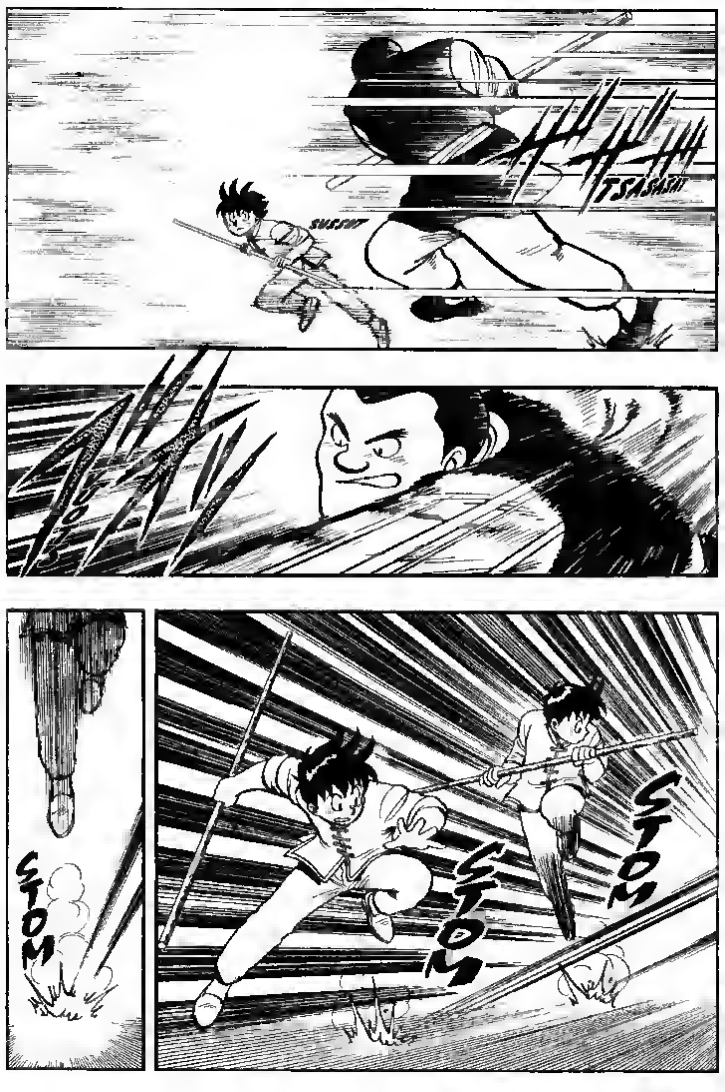
DID YOU UNDER-STAND
WHAT I MEANT?

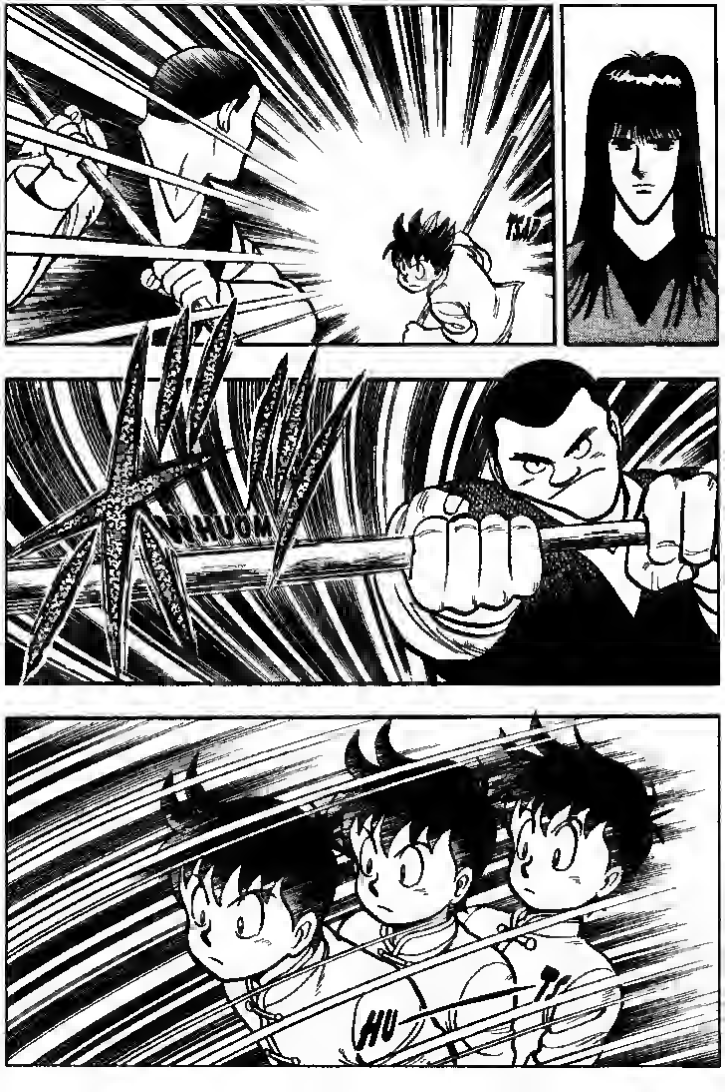
CHINMI

YES!



LET'S GO CHINMI!
YES, PLEASE!
TEIKI, EXCUSE ME BUT I WANT YOU TO FACE HIM AGAIN.
ALL RIGHT!
I MUST NOT TRY TO DIRECTLY OPPOSE HIS STRENGTH. I MUST FIGHT WITH FLEXIBILITY.
TSAP
BEGIN!


TSASASH
SUSSHT
STOM
STOM
STOM


TSUT
NHUOM
HU

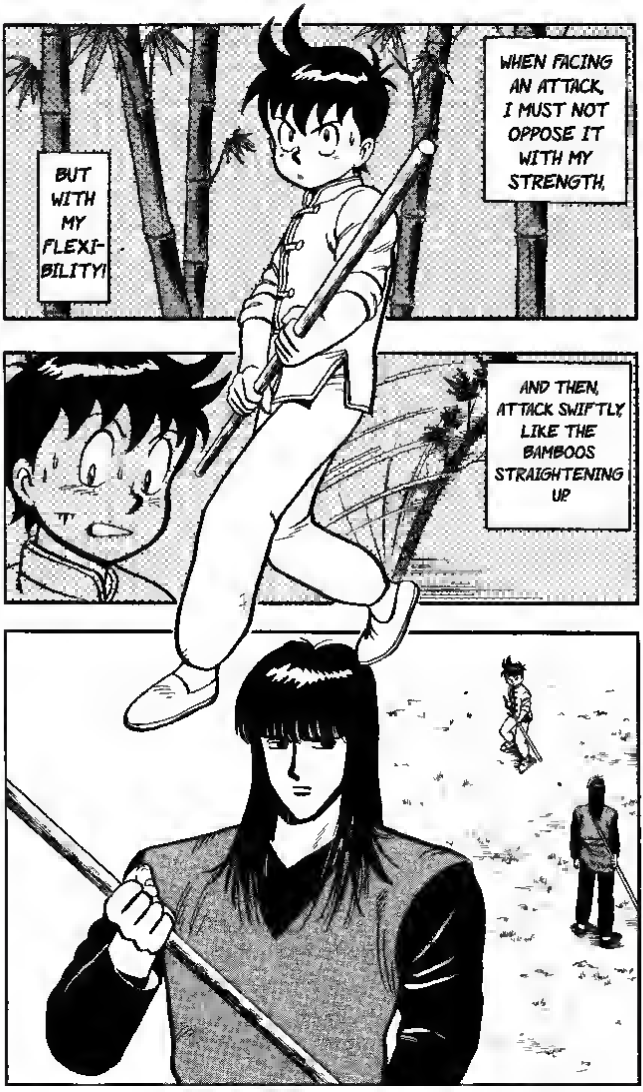
NOW!
STA

SHUIT
STD

HE HE HE...
CHIN-MI.
GOOD JOB
OOH!
CHINMI
YES?
WHAT DID YOU SEE
IN THE HOUSE OF THE WIND?

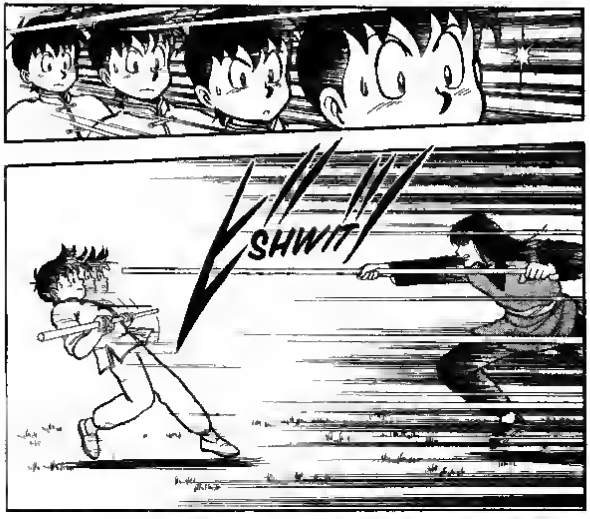
WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?
?
WHAT?
I SAW BAMBOO REEDS!
AH YES.
SO YOU UNDERSTOOD, DIDN'T YOU?
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE WAY YOU FIGHT AND THE WAY I DO.

MASTER RIKI, WILL YOU FACE ME ONCE AGAIN PLEASE?
AND WHAT'S THE RELATION WITH REEDS?
WHAT DIFFE-RENCE?
ALL RIGHT.
AND SINCE YOU UNDERSTOOD I WILL NOT GO EASY ON YOU!
OK.


WHEN FACING AN ATTACK, I MUST NOT OPPOSE IT WITH MY STRENGTH,
BUT WITH MY FLEXI-BILITY!
AND THEN, ATTACK SWIFTLY, LIKE THE BAMBOOS STRAIGHTENING UP

TST

TSUT
TZAP


SHWIT

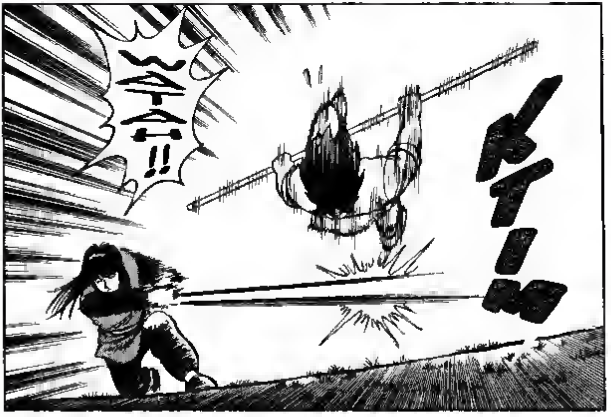
HA
!!
FYUN
FAST
!
TSAP
TSASAT

HE REALLY MADE THE MOST OF HIS STAY IN THE MOUNTAINS.
HEY! NOT BAD, CHINMI!
I THINK I'M DOING WELL!

TWANG

PSHAA
TZAD
STI P

HE DISAPPEARED?
AH !!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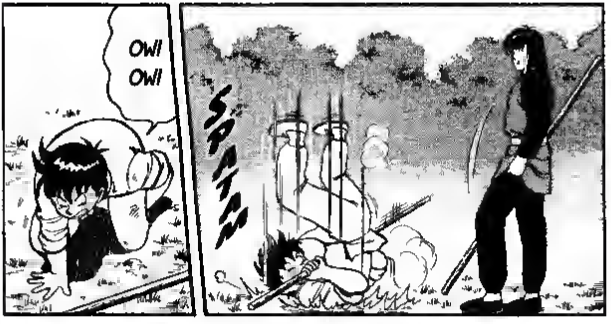
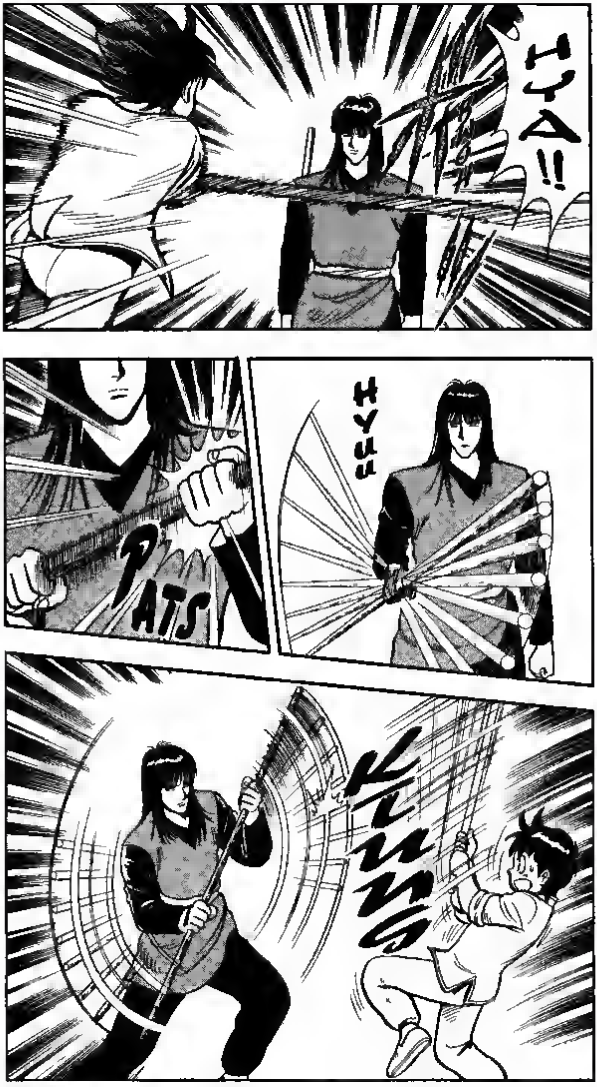
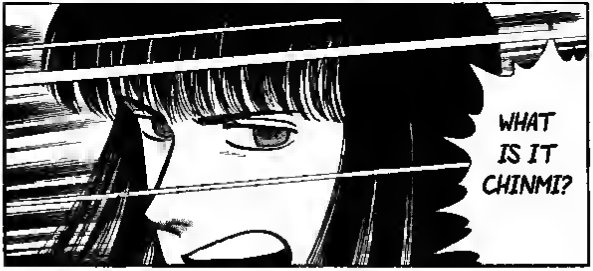
ドイ!!


OW! OW!
SPLAT!!

WE CARRY ON!


HYA!!
HYUU
PATS
KUUNG

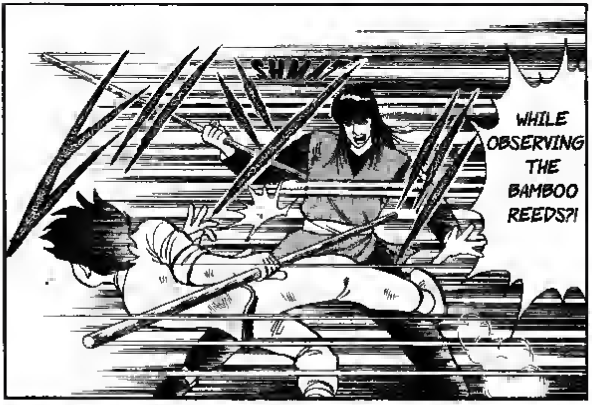
FSUT
!!

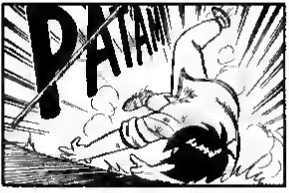

WHAT IS IT CHINMI?

YOU CAN'T EVADE THESE ATTACKS?
TOM
SHMIT
KTAN
SHWH

TUM!!
FWM
PEEM
WHY IS HE ...
KLAT

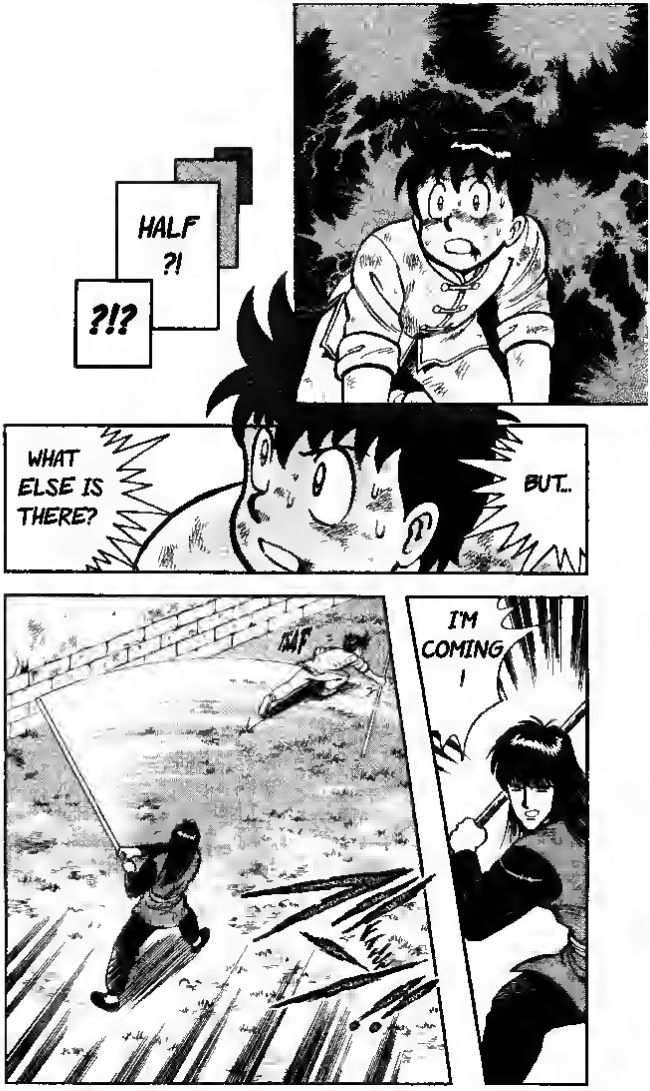
DIE!
MASTER RIKI, WHY?
SHWI
SHMAT
WHAT DID YOU SEE...


WHILE OBSERVING THE BAMBOO REEDS?!

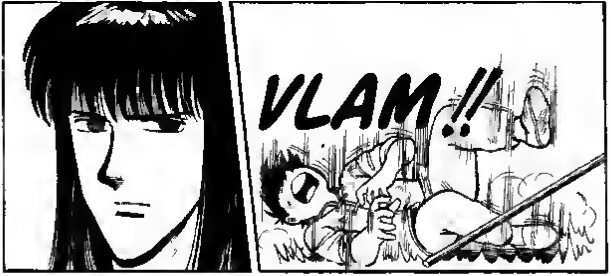

PAT

APPARENTLY YOU ONLY HALF UNDER-STOOD!!

HA HA
HA HA HA

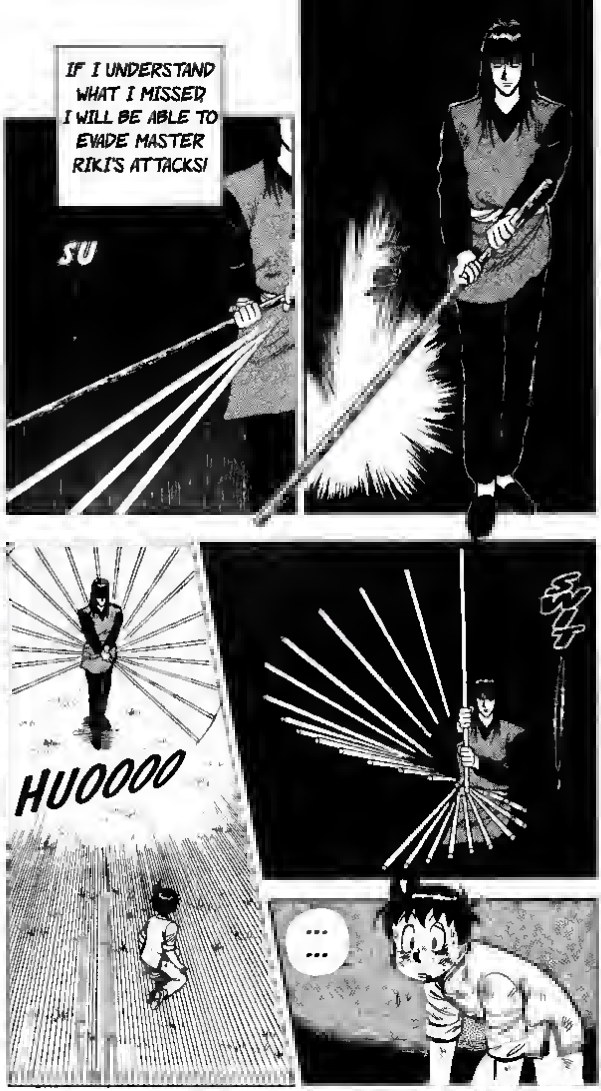

HALF
?!
?!?
WHAT ELSE IS THERE?
BUT..
MF
I'M COMING!

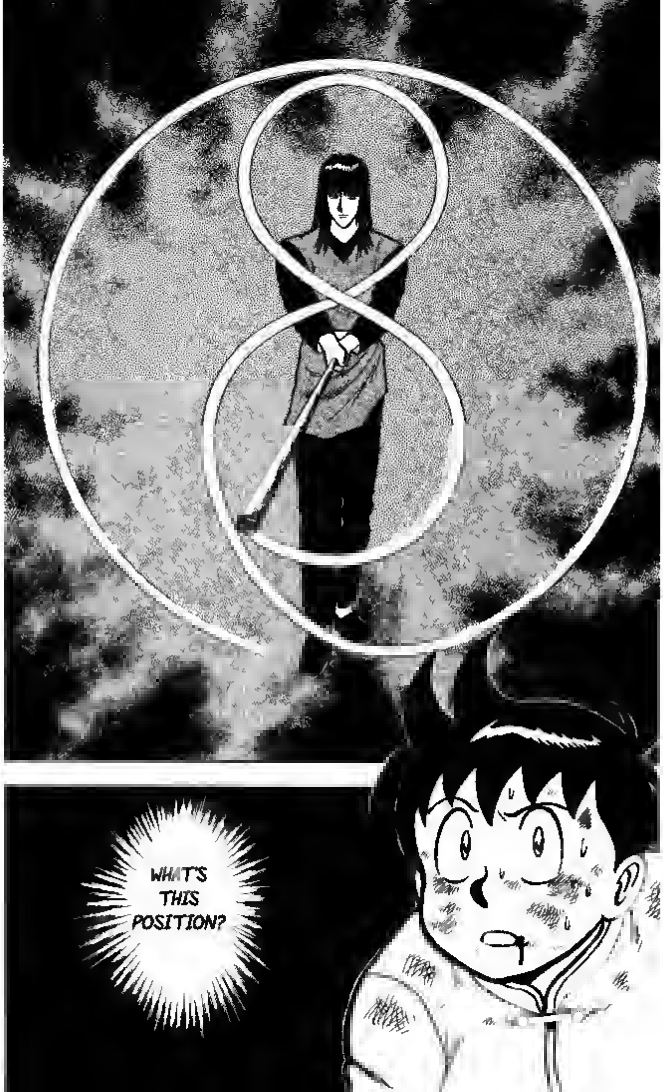
HA
HA
I'M READY!
SLASH
KTUNK
PAM
TLUK

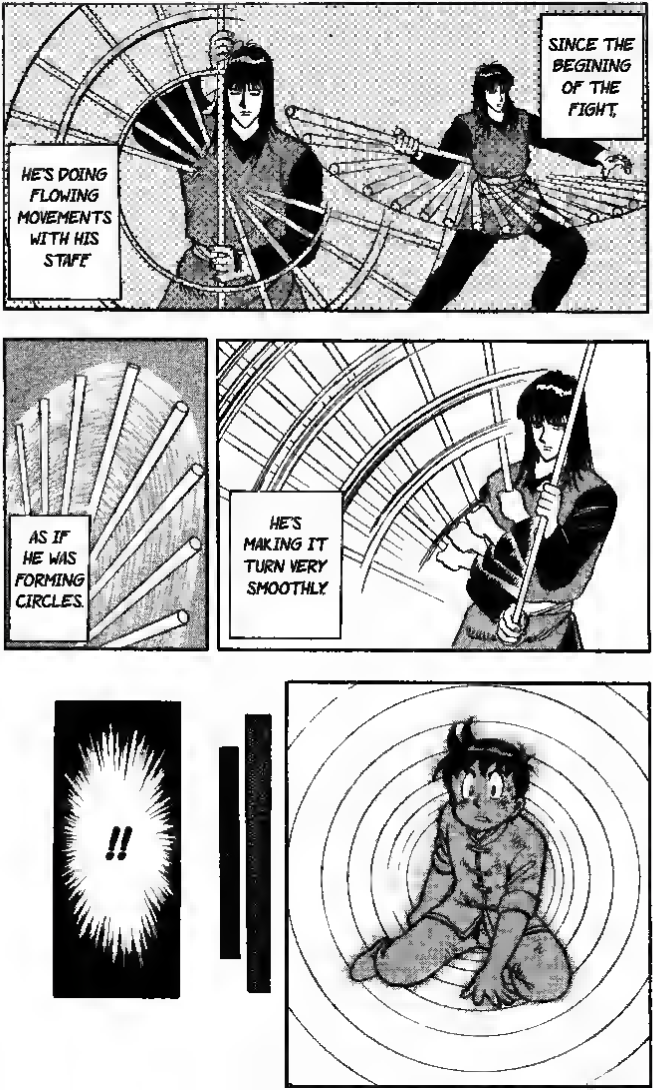

VLAM!!

AND YET I FOUGHT WITH FLEXIBILITY, AS THE BAMBOO THAT DIDN'T PUT UP RESISTANCE TO THE WIND!
IF THAT WAS ONLY HALF OF WHAT I WAS TO OBSERVE, WHAT'S THE OTHER HALF?

THE ANSWER IS IN THE BAMBOO REEDS!
I HAVE TO REMEMBER!

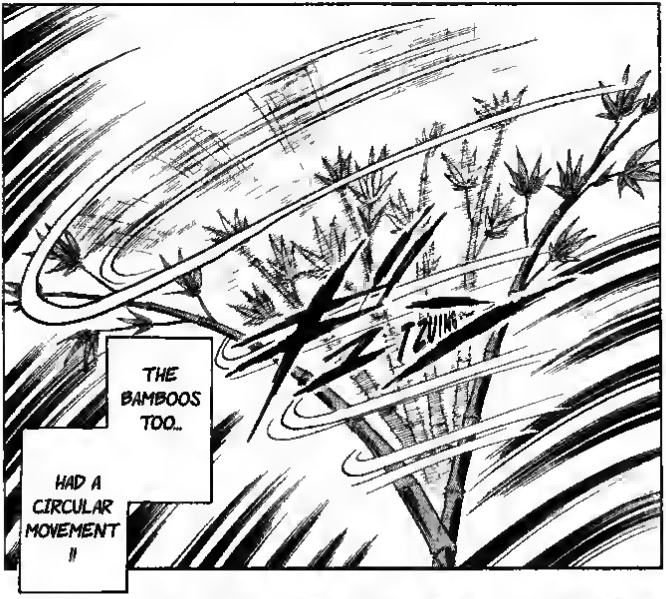

IF I UNDERSTAND WHAT I MISSED, I WILL BE ABLE TO EVADE MASTER RIKI'S ATTACKS!
SU
HUOOOO
...
...


WHAT'S THIS POSITION?


SINCE THE BEGINING OF THE FIGHT,
HE'S DOING FLOWING MOVEMENTS WITH HIS STAFF
AS IF HE WAS FORMING CIRCLES.
HE'S MAKING IT TURN VERY SMOOTHLY
!!

A CIRCLE!

BV IIN

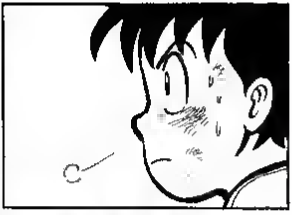

THE BAMBOOS TOO..
HAD A CIRCULAR MOVEMENT !!
ZUIN

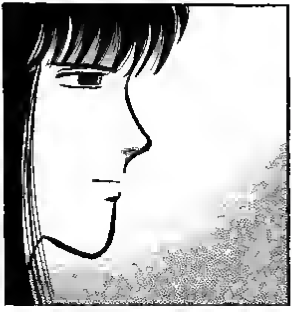
VIIIIN

FWI

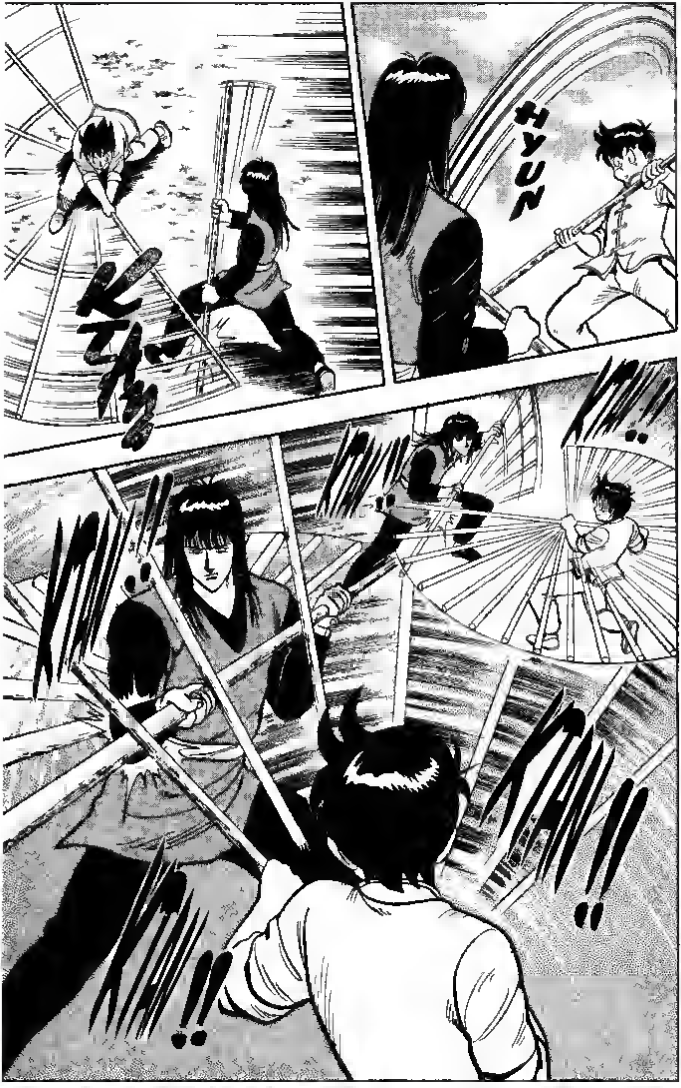
WHILE OBSERVING THE BAMBOO REEDS?!
WHAT DID YOU SEE...
GRIP
I GOT IT!!

SWISH





KTAN
HAH !!
KUT
SHANG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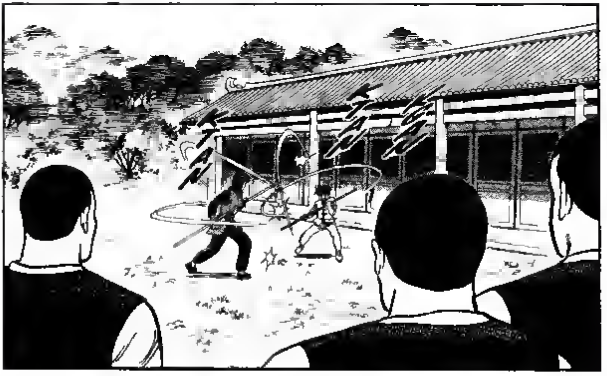
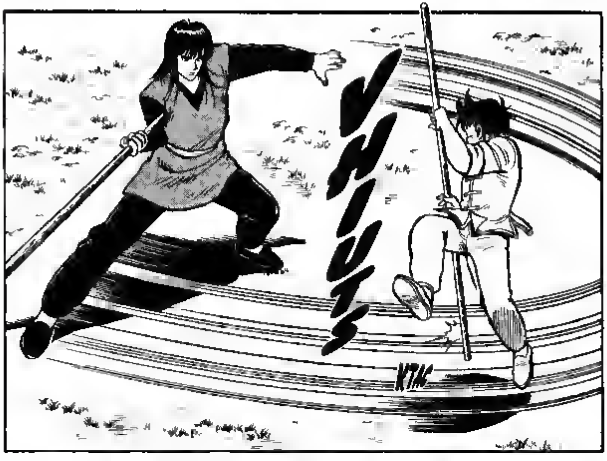
KAN!!
KAN!!
KAN!!
KAN!!

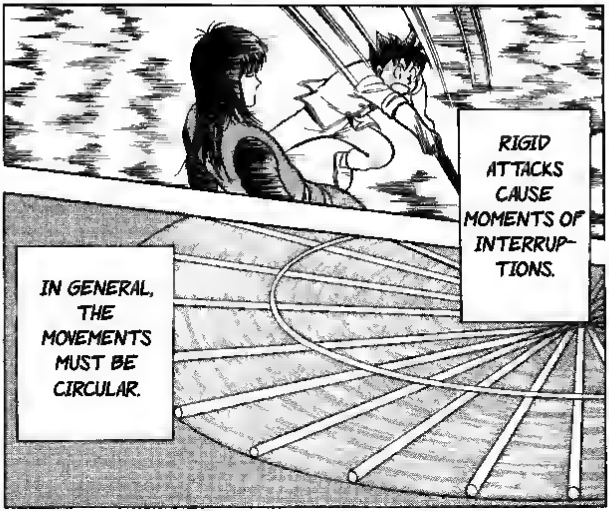


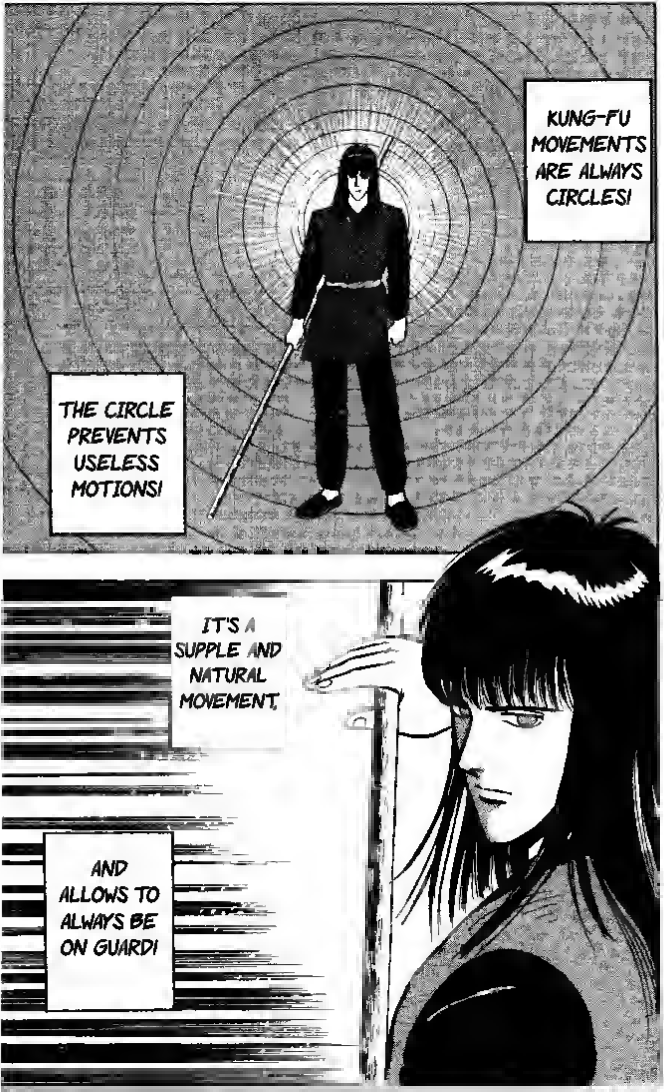
HE'S USING HIS STAFF MORE SMOOTHLY NOW.
CHINMI CLEARLY IMPROVED HIS MOVEMENTS.


KTK!

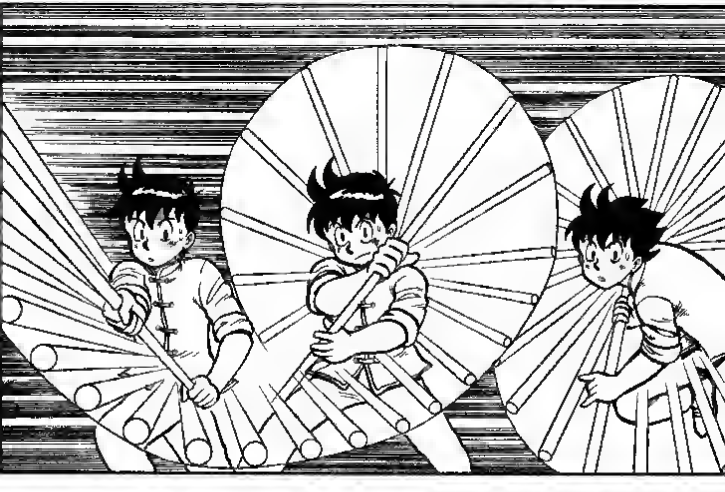
YES, THAT'S IT EXACTLY!
TO AVOID STOPPING THE MOVEMENTS OF THE STAFF,
I MUST DO CIRCULAR MOVEMENTS, JUST LIKE THE BAMBOO REEDS!

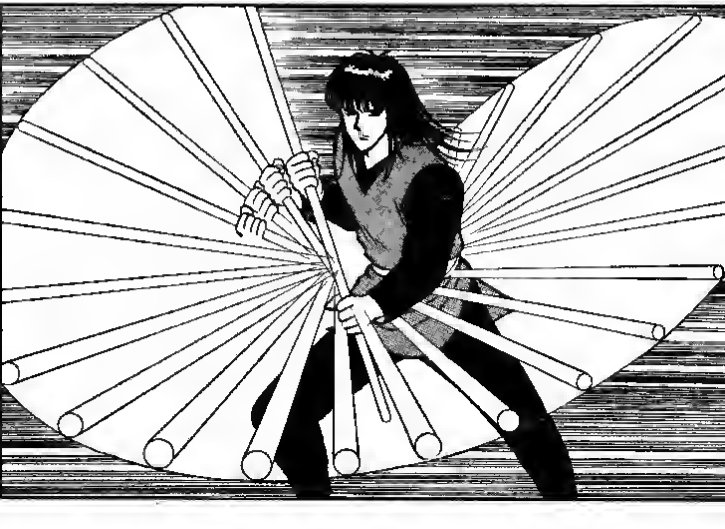
KEEP ON LIKE THIS, CHINMI.
HIS STAFF MANIPULATION WAS POWERFUL, BUT TOO STIFF.


RIGID ATTACKS CAUSE MOMENTS OF INTERRUP-TIONS.
IN GENERAL, THE MOVEMENTS MUST BE CIRCULAR.


KUNG-FU MOVEMENTS ARE ALWAYS CIRCLES!
THE CIRCLE PREVENTS USELESS MOTIONS!
IT'S A SUPPLE AND NATURAL MOVEMENT,
AND ALLOWS TO ALWAYS BE ON GUARD!

BEHIND THE VERY ESSENCE OF KUNG-FU
THAT'S THE SECRET





TSUI
HE VANISHED AGAIN!

TSUBO

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HE BLOCKED IT!
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...
PFSH

HA HA HA HA
HA HA
P
YOU DID A GOOD JOB, CHINMI.
FUU
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
TO BE CONTINUED.

# THE BAND OF THE RED HAND

# TEKKEN CHINMI

## SHI-FUAN THE GENIUS OF THE STAFF

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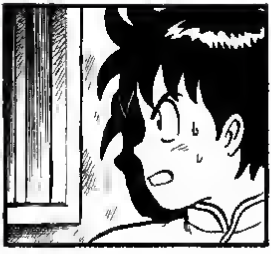
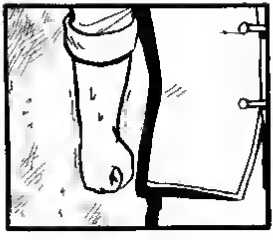
# SHI-FUAN
# THE GENIUS OF THE STAFF





SUT
HAA!!
HOP
BANG
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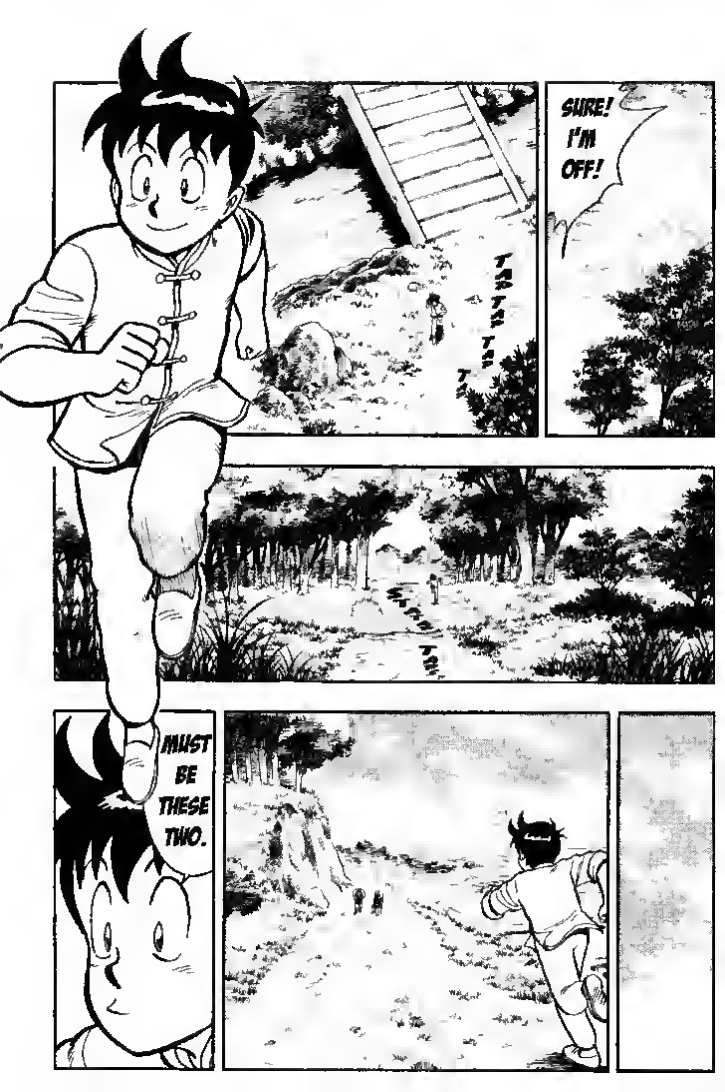
WHI
OOPS

FWOP
!
KUNG!
NI HI !!

!!
SWISH
YOU GOT ME AGAIN!
ACK!
YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR HIM, BUDDY.
AND YOU ARE?
I KEEP LOSING AGAINST HIM NOW!
HE HE HEY
THAT'S IT FOR TODAY, OK?
ALL RIGHT, WHO'S NEXT?

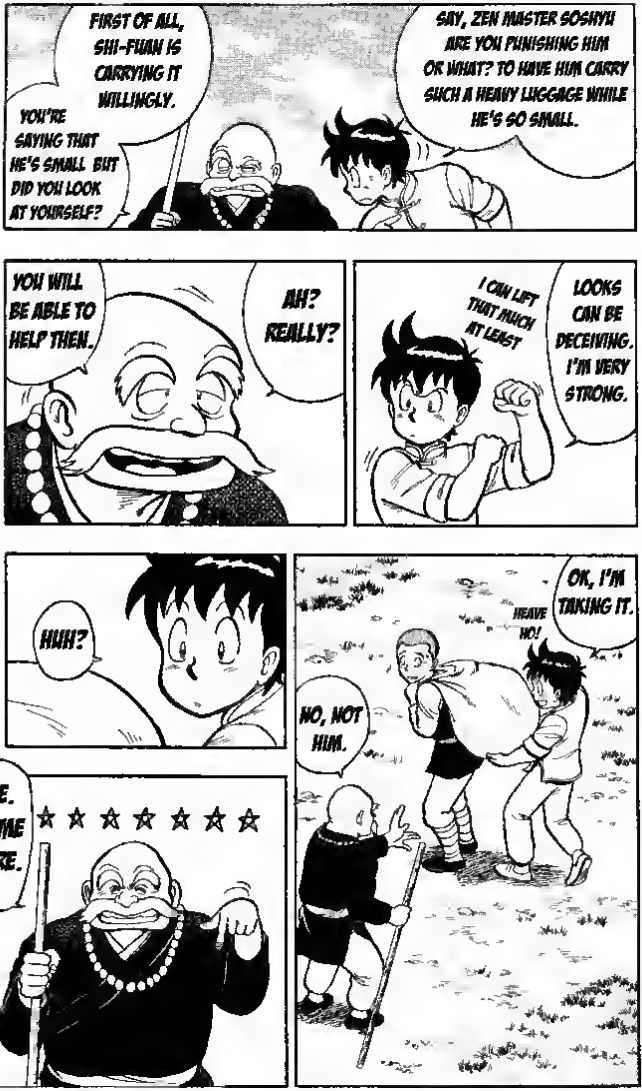
I'VE GOT THE HAND OF IT NOW.
HA HA ...
HE'S SO EASY NOW.
SINCE MASTER RIKI TOOK CARE OF HIM, HE'S UNBEATABLE.
HE MUST HAVE A GIFT FOR IT.
BAH... HE'S REALLY TALENTED.
IT'S LIKE HE'S BEEN DOING IT HIS WHOLE LIFE.
YES, MASTER RIKI?
CAN YOU DO ME A FAVOR?
CHINMI!
HE'S QUITE OLD, AND I'D LIKE YOU TO GO TO MEET HIM.
TODAY I'M WAITING FOR A VERY IMPORTANT GUEST,
THE ZEN MASTER SOSHYU.


SURE! I'M OFF!
TAP TAP TAP
RUSH RUSH
MUST BE THESE TWO.

COOEE! ARE YOU THE ZEN MASTER SOSHYU?
YES.
COME ON, WALK FASTER.
AND WHO ARE YOU?
FBL..
MASTER RIKI SENT ME TO MEET YOU.
MY NAME IS CHINMI.
THANKS, IT'S VERY KIND OF YOU.
AH, VERY WELL.

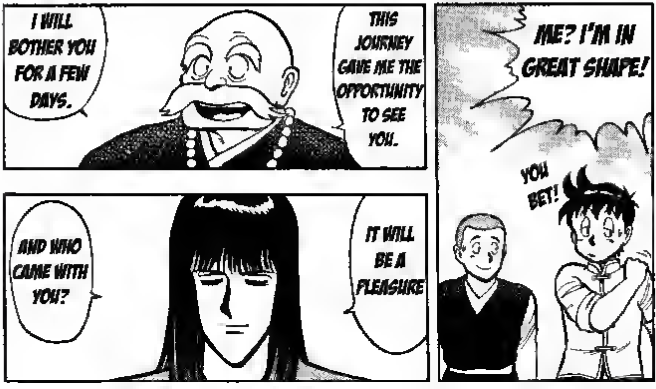
HERE, I WILL CARRY YOUR STUFF.
NO NEED. HE CAN DO IT BY HIMSELF.
IT'S HIS JOB, DON'T MEDDLE WITH IT.
ERR ...
BUT HE'S ALL SWEATY ...
LET'S GO CHINMI, YOU WILL GUIDE US.
IT'S ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.
... ...

OOH
SHI-FUAN !!
ERR...
NO, REALLY. I'LL BE...
I CAN HELP YOU UNTIL WE ARRIVE.
WE'RE ALMOST THERE, SO PUT SOME EFFORT INTO IT!
YES!
IT'S BECAUSE YOU DON'T WALK FAST ENOUGH THAT HE WANTS TO HELP YOU!!
YES, YES.

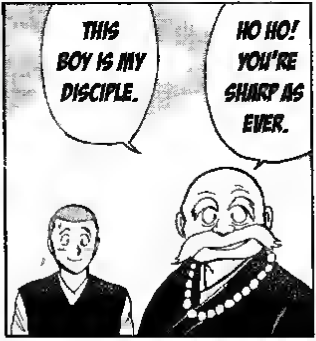

FIRST OF ALL, SHI-FUAN IS CARRYING IT WILLINGLY.
YOU'RE SAYING THAT HE'S SMALL BUT DID YOU LOOK AT YOURSELF?
SAY, ZEN MASTER SOSHYU ARE YOU PUNISHING HIM OR WHAT? TO HAVE HIM CARRY SUCH A HEAVY LUGGAGE WHILE HE'S SO SMALL.
YOU WILL BE ABLE TO HELP THEN.
AH? REALLY?
I CAN LIFT THAT MUCH AT LEAST
LOOKS CAN BE DECEIVING. I'M VERY STRONG.
HUH?
OK, I'M TAKING IT.
HEAVE HO!
NO, NOT HIM.
ME. COME HERE.

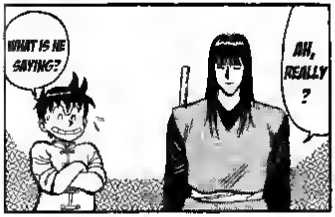
THERE WE ARE.
AH, VERY WELL.
MASTER RIKI? YOUR GUESTS HAVE ARRIVED!
YOU'RE WELCOME. DON'T MEN-TION IT.
THANK YOU.

YOU ARE MOST WELCOME IN MY HOME, ZEN MASTER SOSHYU.
HOO! RIKI!
WHAT A PLEASURE TO SEE YOU AGAIN! YOU MUST HAVE IMPROVED SINCE THE LAST TIME!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, MASTER, ARE YOU IN GOOD HEALTH?


I WILL BOTHER YOU FOR A FEW DAYS.
THIS JOURNEY GAVE ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE YOU.
ME? I'M IN GREAT SHAPE!
YOU BET!
AND WHO CAME WITH YOU?
IT WILL BE A PLEASURE

YOU'RE ABOUT AS TALL AS CHINMI.
PLEASED TO MEET YOU. I AM SHI-FUAN.

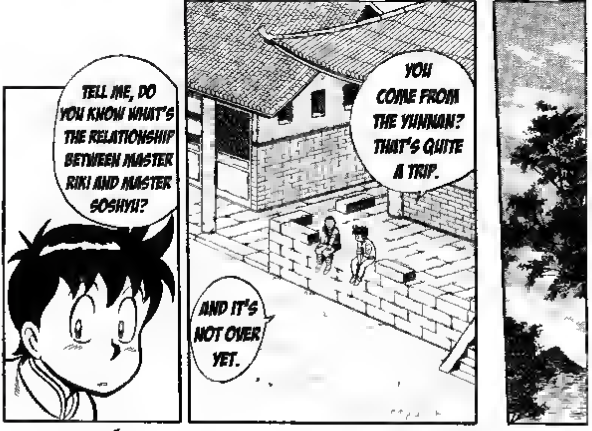

THIS BOY IS MY DISCIPLE.
HO HO! YOU'RE SHARP AS EVER.

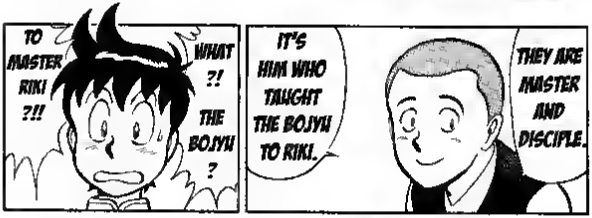

WHAT IS HE SAYING?
AH, REALLY ?

YOU TRAINED HIM WELL !
BWE HE HE HE HE!
AH, YOUR CHINMI IS QUITE STRONG, YOU KNOW?

THANKS.
WELL. FOLLOW ME THEN.

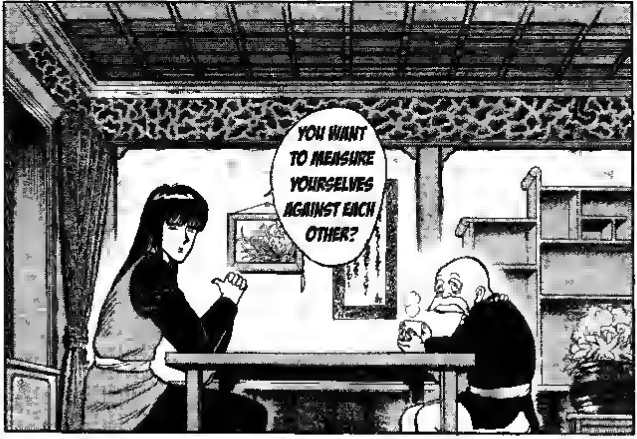
CHINMI, CAN YOU TAKE SHI-FUAN TO HIS ROOM?
PLEASE, ZEN MASTER SOSHYU, THIS WAY.


TELL ME, DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MASTER RIKI AND MASTER SOSHYU?
YOU COME FROM THE YUNNAN? THAT'S QUITE A TRIP.
AND IT'S NOT OVER YET.


TO MASTER RIKI ?!!
WHAT ?! THE BOJYU ?
IT'S HIM WHO TAUGHT THE BOJYU TO RIKI.
THEY ARE MASTER AND DISCIPLE.

THEN YOU TOO, SHI-FUAN, YOU ARE LEARNING THE BOJYU?
ERR... YES, A LITTLE.
THEY SAY THAT HE WAS VERY STRONG.
THEN MASTER SOSHYU IS ALSO A GREAT MASTER OF THE STAFF!

BUT STILL, YOUR MASTER TRAINED RIKI...
I'M A LITTLE WEAK, AND I'M OFTEN SCOLDED...
NO.
YOU HAVE TO BE STRONG, DON'T YOU?
ARE YOU UP FOR A FIGHT, AFTER THE DINNER?
BUT IT'S HARD...
LET'S SAY THAT I'M PRACTISING SERIOUSLY,
I WILL ASK MY MASTER...
WHAT IS HE GOING TO SAY?
I HAVEN'T BEEN PRACTISING THE STAFF FOR A LONG TIME, SO...
YOU KNOW, I'M NOT VERY...
YOU AGREE THEN?
YES?
YES?!


YOU WANT TO MEASURE YOURSELVES AGAINST EACH OTHER?

SHI-FUAN IS TOO WEAK FOR YOU.
IT'S OUT OF QUES-TION.

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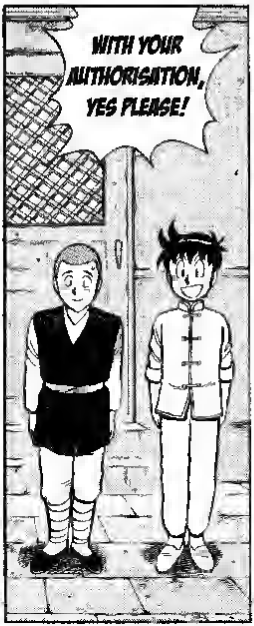
IT'S WRONG TO LIE.


WITH YOUR AUTHORISATION, YES PLEASE!

NO, A DONKEY CARRIED IT FOR MOST OF THE JOURNEY...
IT MEANS THAT HIS BACK AND LEGS MUSCLES ARE WELL DEVELOPED. IT PROVES THAT HE'S BEEN TRAINING HARD.
HE CARRIED THIS BIG BUNDLE FROM THE YUNNAN PROVINCE.
WHY NOT LET THEM DO IT?
MASTER SOSHYU.
GWA HA HA HA HA HA!
VERY WELL, I AGREE.
IT WILL BE INTERES-TING
THINK OF CHINMI AS ONE OF YOUR DISCIPLES.
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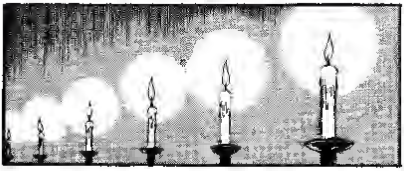
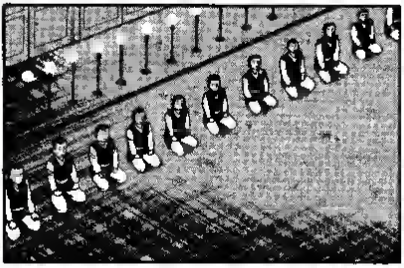
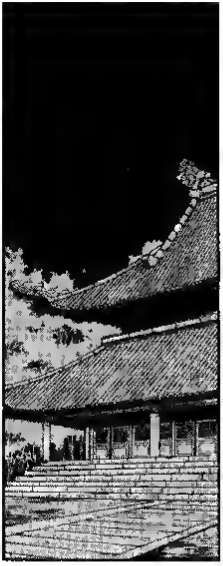
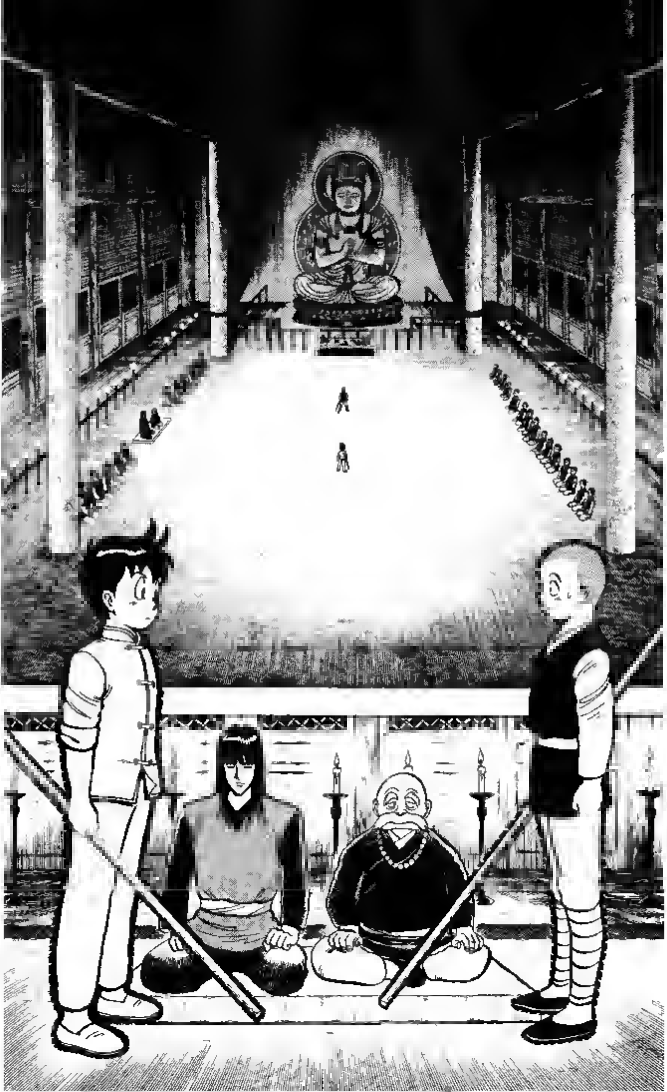
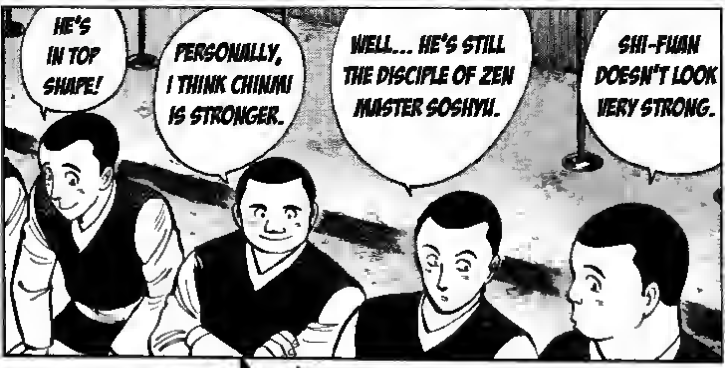
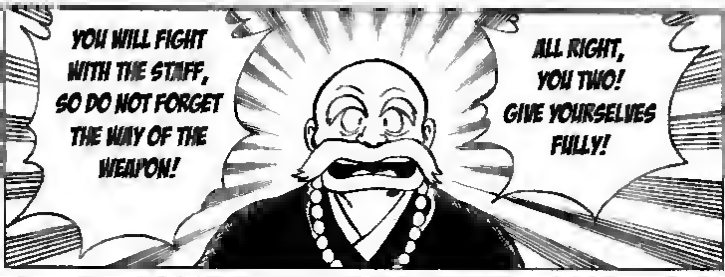


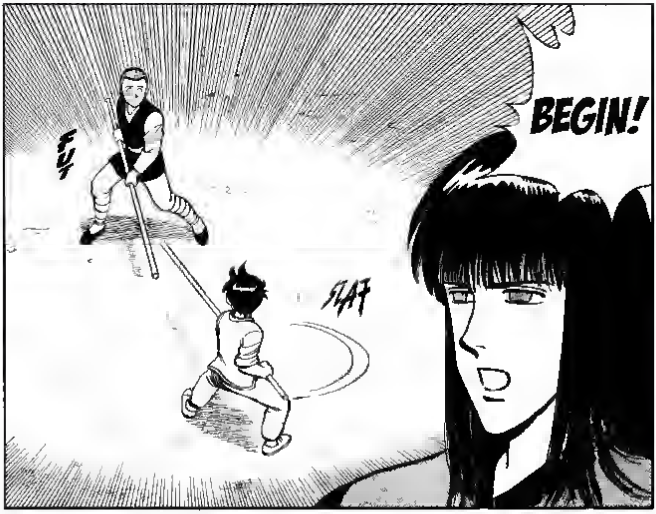


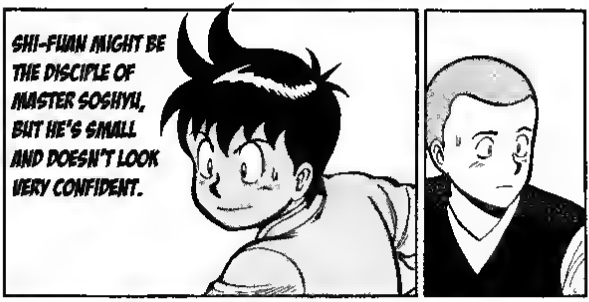


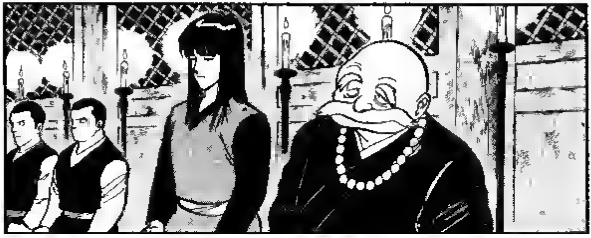



He's in top shape!
Personally, I think Chinmi is stronger.
Well... He's still the disciple of Zen master Soshyu.
Shi-Fuan doesn't look very strong.


You will fight with the staff, so do not forget the way of the weapon!
All right, you two! Give yourselves fully!


BEGIN!
FU
SLAT


SHI-FUAN MIGHT BE THE DISCIPLE OF MASTER SOSHYU, BUT HE'S SMALL AND DOESN'T LOOK VERY CONFIDENT.



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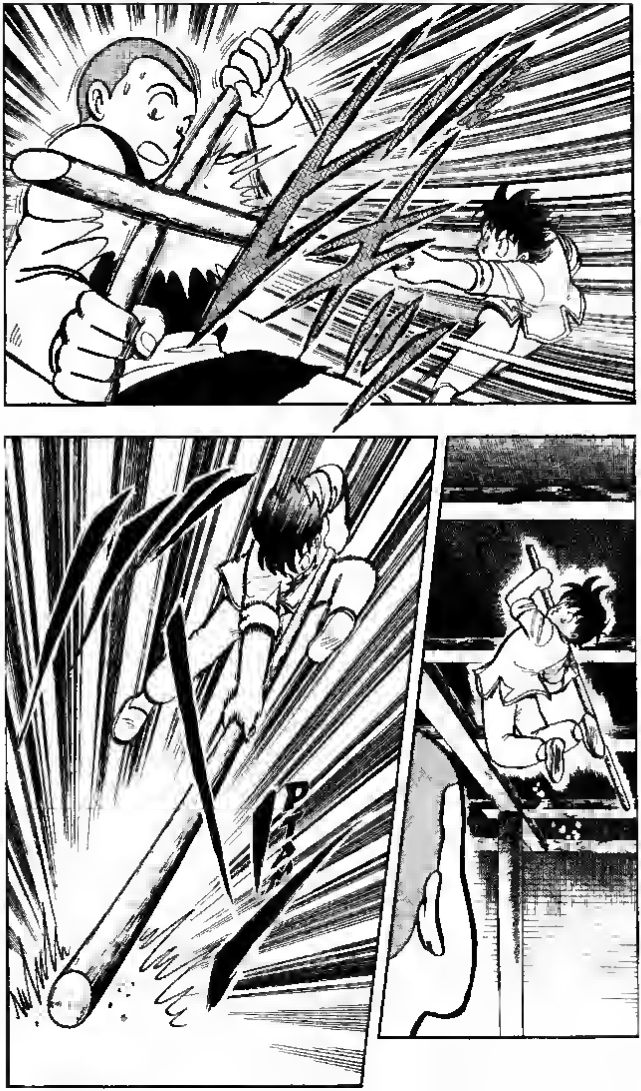
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SHIIIP...
HYAAAR!!

AAAH!!

SPIN
TLAF
TUM
KLAM
IT'S CRAZY! HE DOESN'T GIVE HIM ANY TIME TO BREATHE!!
SPIN
SPIN

SO... SO FAST !!
WITH HIS BUILT, WHERE DOES HE GET THIS STRENGTH FROM?
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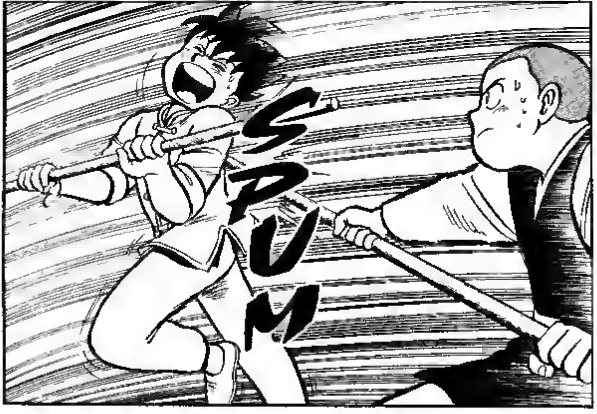
SWISH
FTIM
FRUM
THUM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STOOOP! THE FIGHT IS OVER!
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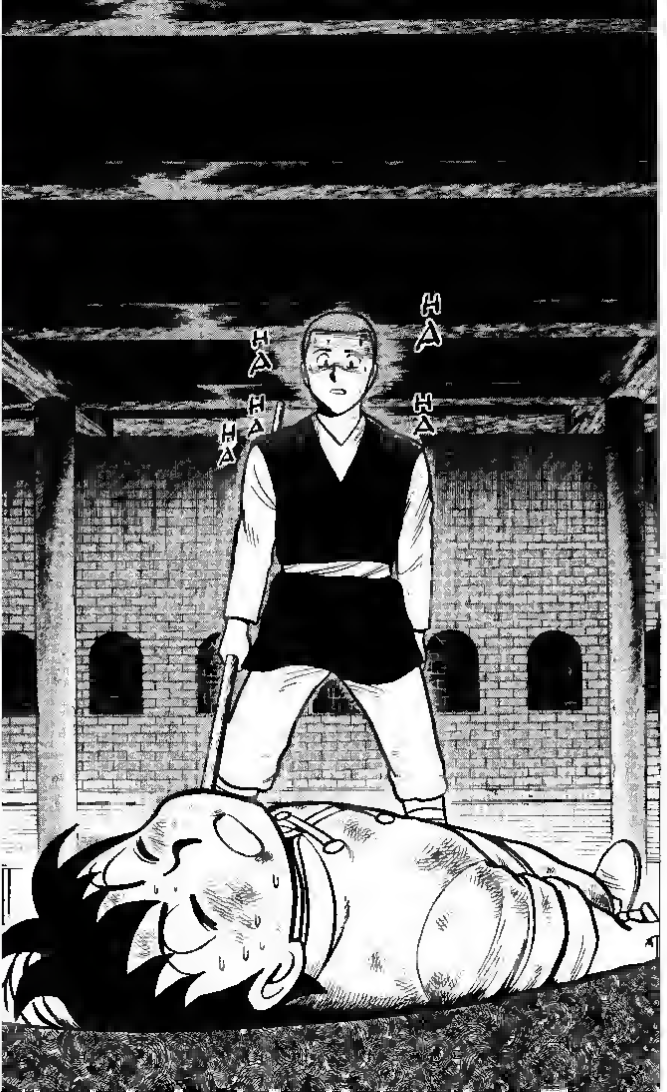
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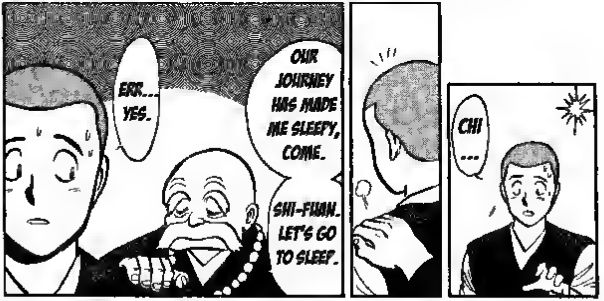
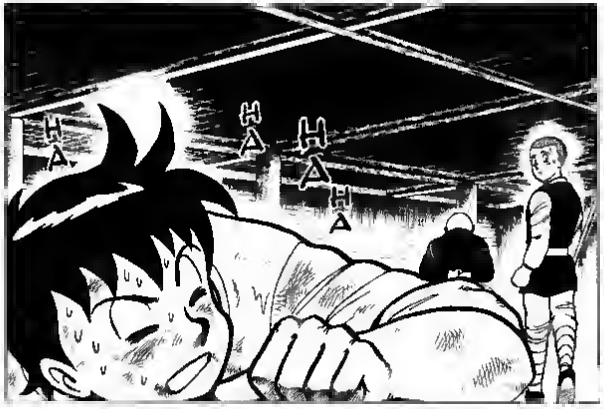

ERR... YES.
OUR JOURNEY HAS MADE ME SLEEPY, COME.
SHI-FUAN, LET'S GO TO SLEEP.
CHI ...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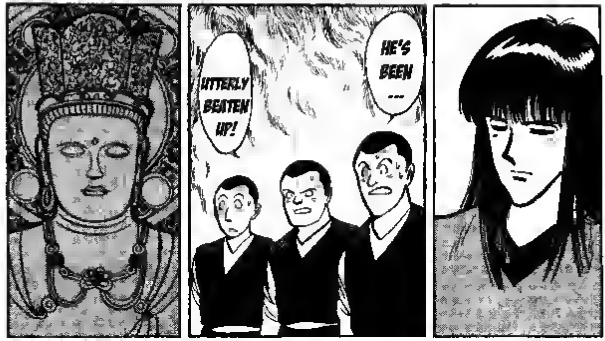
HE'S BEEN ...
UTTERLY BEATEN UP!

SHI-FUAN LAUNCHED HIS ATTACKS EASILY AND WITH ASTOUNDING SPEED.
HE CRUSHED ME TOTALLY ...
I LEARNED A LOT UNDER MASTER RIKI'S TEACHINGS, BUT...
IN FRONT OF SHI-FUAN... I WAS NO MATCH FOR HIM...

CHIKUMI DIDN'T SHOW UP FOR THE TRAINING THIS MORNING.
HE'S BEEN IN THE TEMPLE SINCE YESTERDAY.
HE EVEN SKIPPED THE BREAKFAST.
NO WONDER.
SO HE'S REALLY DEPRESSED.
HE'S IN A STATE OF SHOCK SINCE HIS DEFEAT...
GUIK GUIK

AH... HI GOKU ...
GIGIIK GIGIIIK
GUIK
... ... !!
GUIIIK
GUIK GUIK
AH... I THOUGHT I WAS MANAGING WELL...
BUT I'M NOT GOOD ENOUGH...
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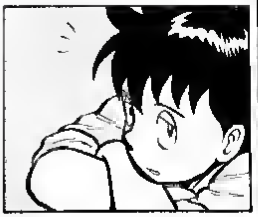
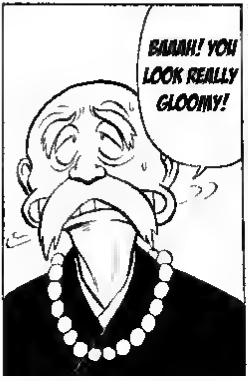
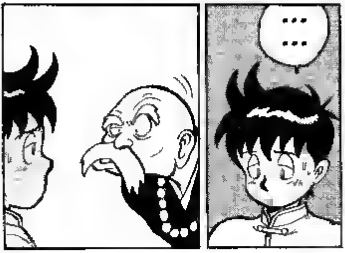


I HEARD THAT YOU DID NOT EAT SINCE THIS MORNING.
GWE HE HE HE HE HE! SO CHINMI, WHAT'S THE MATTER?


BAAAH! YOU LOOK REALLY GLOOMY!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HE SQUA-SHED ME.
I DIDN'T MEASURE UP TO SHI-FUAN.

...
...
WHERE'S THE SPIRIT YOU HAD WHEN CARRYING ME ON YOUR BACK?

I SEE, I SEE.
GWE HE HE HE!

I WILL SHOW YOU SOMETHING.
LISTEN TO ME.

CHIN-MI.

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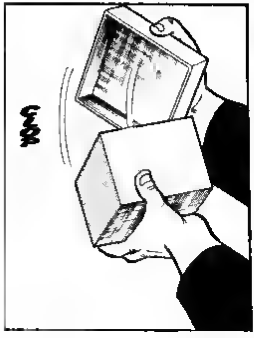
LOOK, THIS IS IT!

I'M OPENING IT.

COME CLOSER.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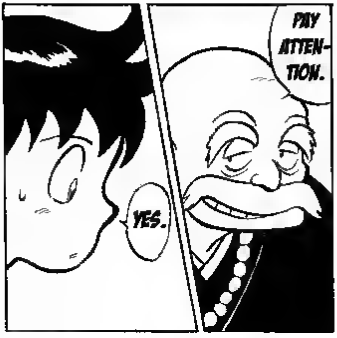
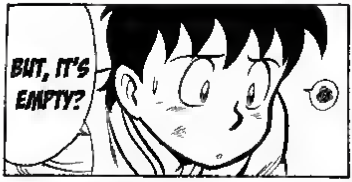
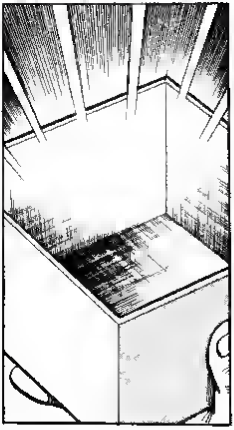
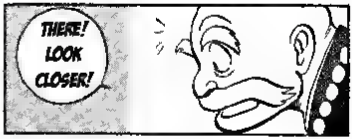
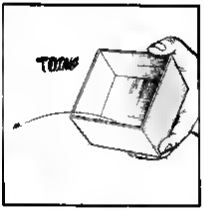

YES.
PAY ATTENTION.


BUT, IT'S EMPTY?




THERE! LOOK CLOSER!

HUH?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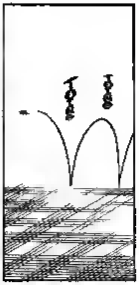
IT'S A FLEA?!



AND WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT THIS FLEA?
A FLEA!
YES.
IT'S YOU!
WELL, CHINMI, THIS FLEA,
I'M A FLEA, ME?
WHAT ?!

PITS
ALL RIGHT, NOW...
GU! GIIK
TOII——NG
LOOK.
THIS ONE, IT'S SHI-FUAN!

UNBELIEVABLE!! IT'S JUMPING MUCH HIGHER THAN THE OTHER FLEA!
TOI——IN
TOI——IN
DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS, CHINMI?
DOES IT MEAN THAT WE'RE NOT AT THE SAME LEVEL AT ALL?
AND THE ONE THAT JUMPS HIGH IS SHI-FUAN.
THE FLEA THAT BARELY JUMPS IS ME,
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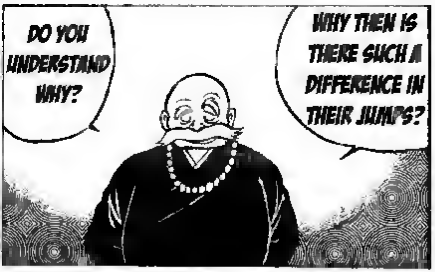
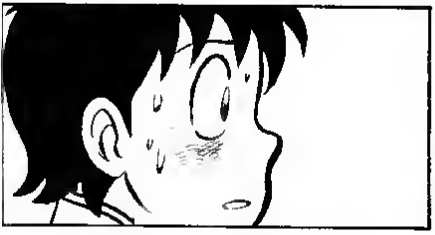
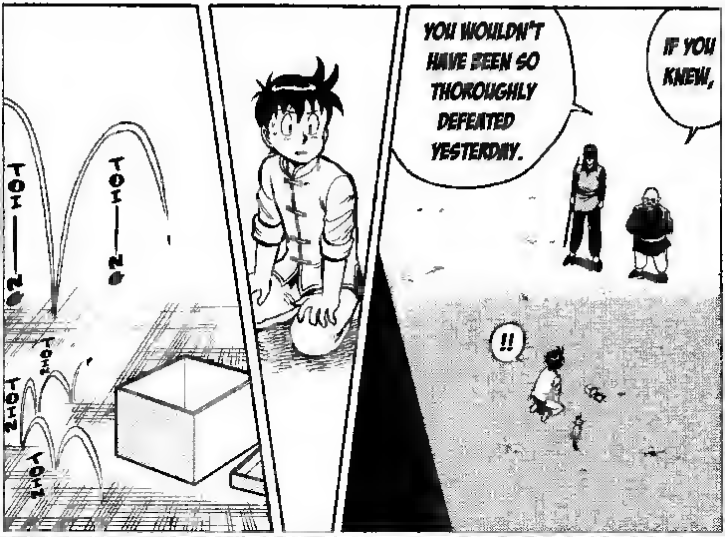

DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHY?
WHY THEN IS THERE SUCH A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR JUMPS?



THESE TWO FLEAS ARE OF THE SAME SPECIES. THEY HAVE THE SAME POTENTIAL.
NO ...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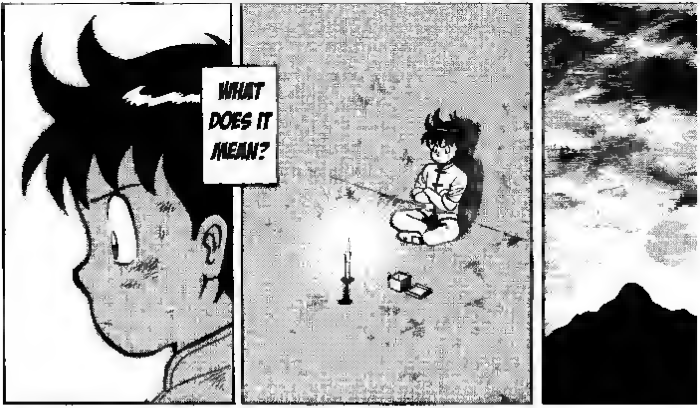
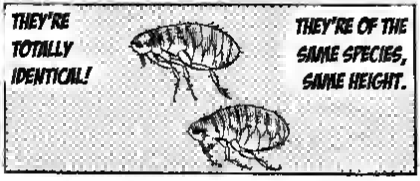
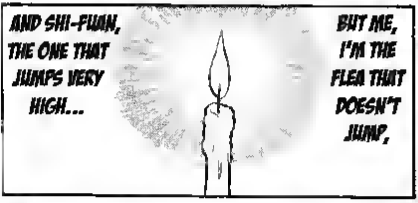
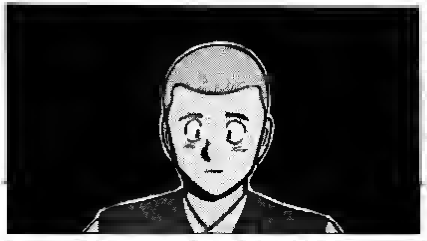
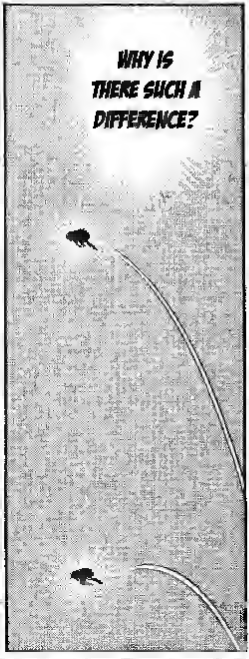
YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SO THOROUGHLY DEFEATED YESTERDAY.
IF YOU KNEW,

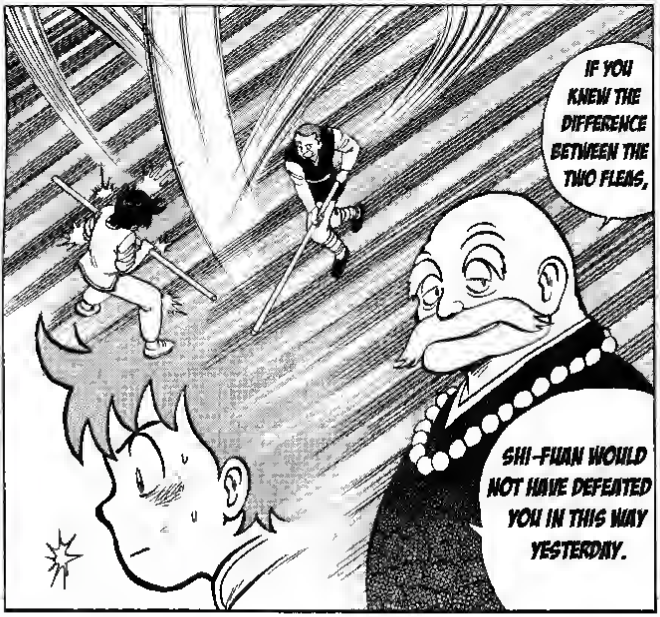

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

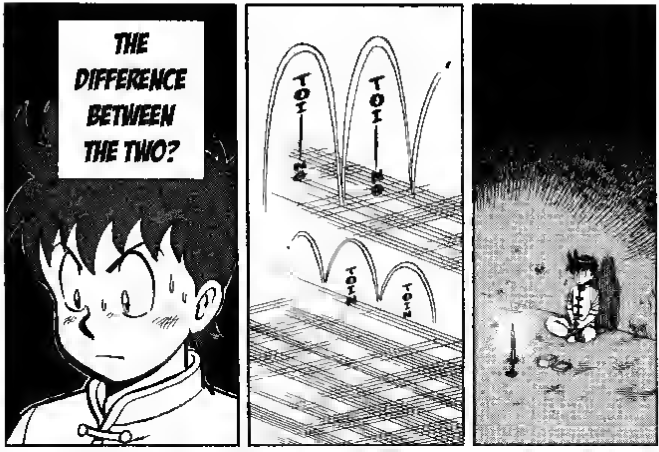

THEY'RE TOTALLY IDENTICAL!
THEY'RE OF THE SAME SPECIES, SAME HEIGHT.


AND SHI-FUAN, THE ONE THAT JUMPS VERY HIGH...
BUT ME, I'M THE FLEA THAT DOESN'T JUMP,




WHY IS THERE SUCH A DIFFERENCE?


IF YOU KNEW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO FLEAS,
SHI-FUAN WOULD NOT HAVE DEFEATED YOU IN THIS WAY YESTERDAY.


THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO?
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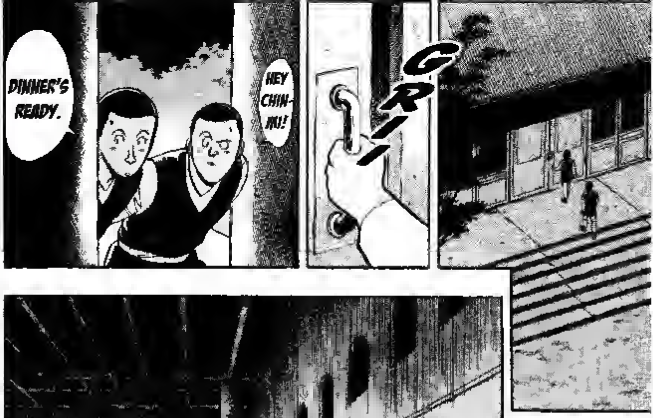
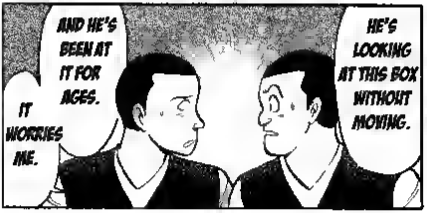
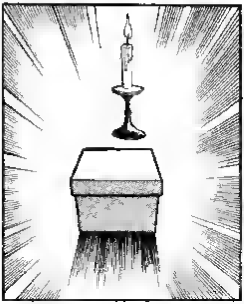
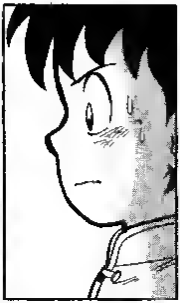
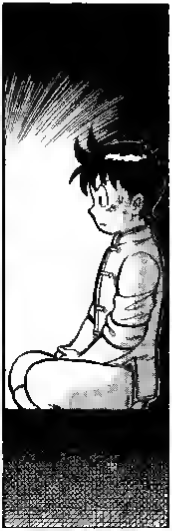
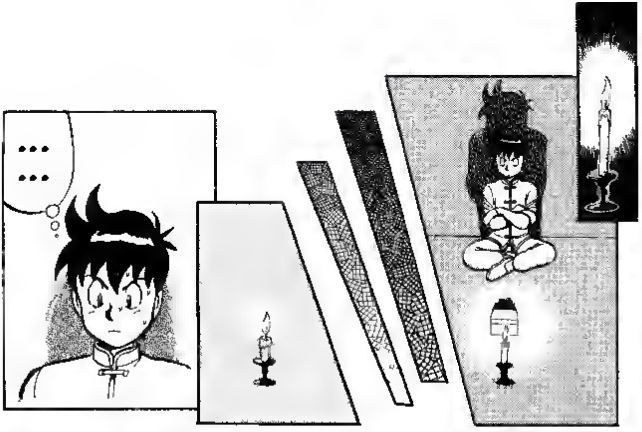

DINNER'S READY.
HEY CHIN-MI!
GRI


IT WORRIES ME.
AND HE'S BEEN AT IT FOR AGES.
HE'S LOOKING AT THIS BOX WITHOUT MOVING.





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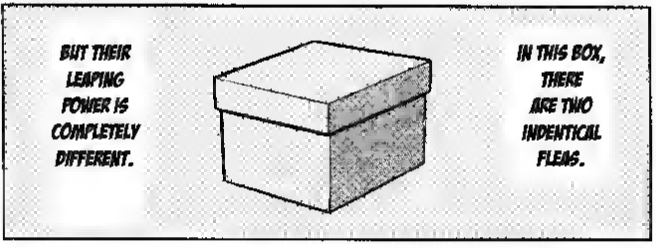
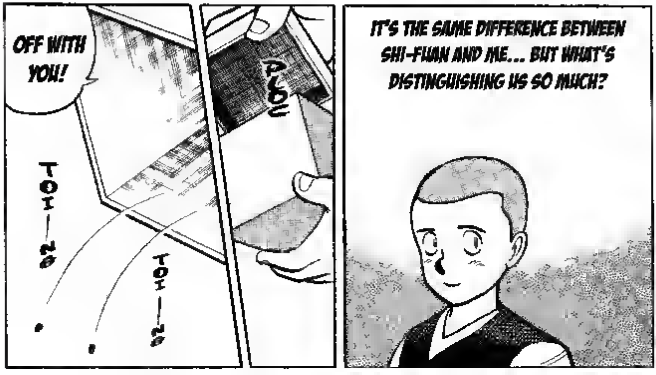

BUT THEIR LEAPING POWER IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT.
IN THIS BOX, THERE ARE TWO IDENTICAL FLEAS.


OFF WITH YOU!
PUSH
TOI—NG
TOI—NG
IT'S THE SAME DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SHI-FUAN AND ME... BUT WHAT'S DISTINGUISHING US SO MUCH?

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO FLEAS...
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HUH?
ONE IS ME, THE OTHER IS...
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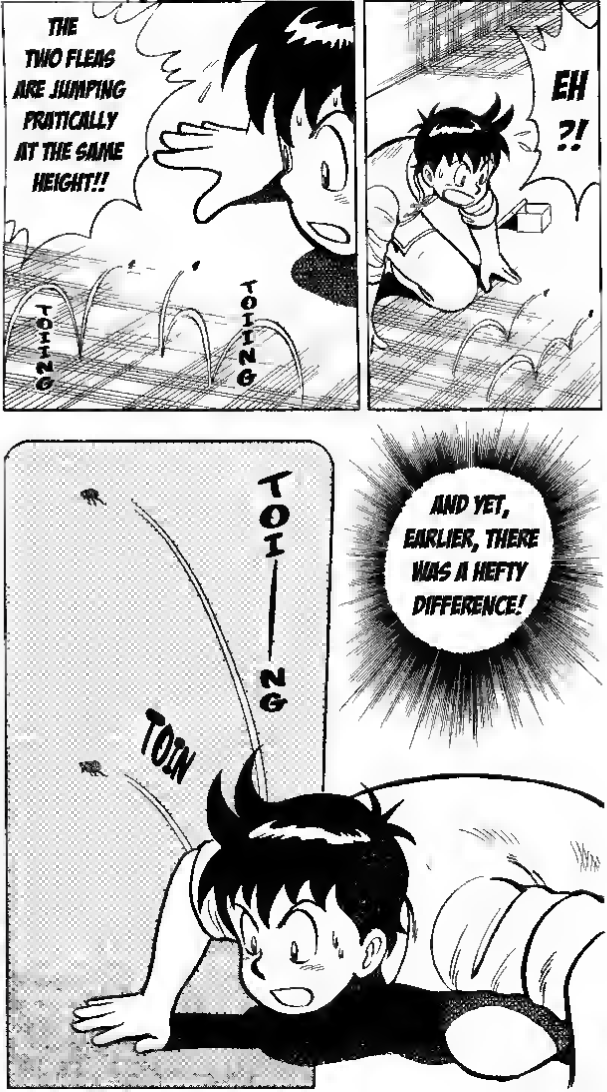
THE TWO FLEAS ARE JUMPING PRATICALLY AT THE SAME HEIGHT!!
TOING
TOING
EH ?!
AND YET, EARLIER, THERE WAS A HEFTY DIFFERENCE!
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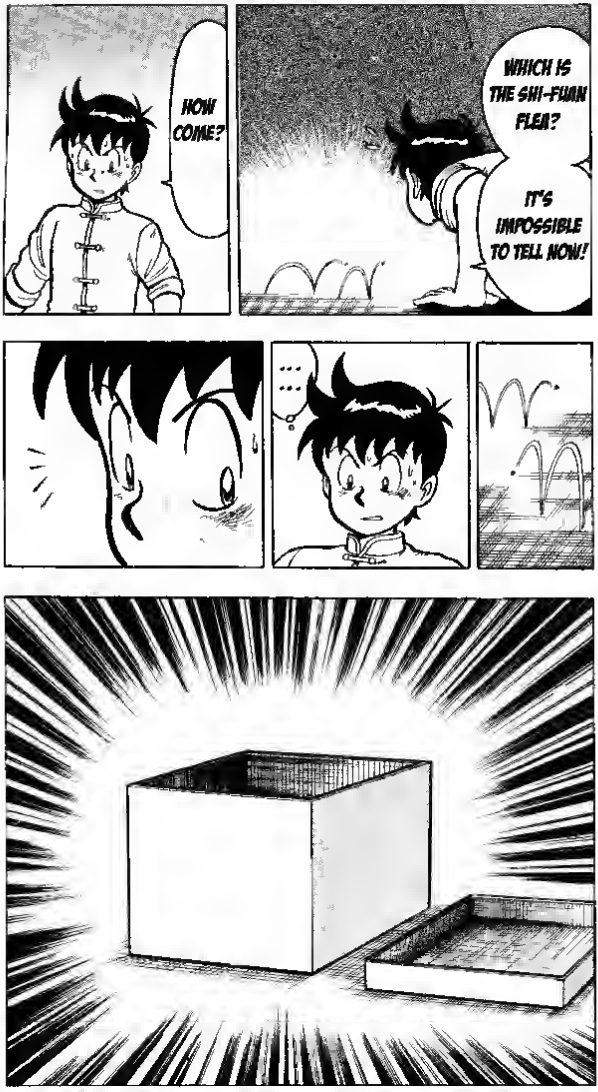
YES! THEY'RE JUMPING AT THE EXACT SAME HEIGHT!!


HOW COME?
WHICH IS THE SHI-FUAN FLEA?
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO TELL NOW!
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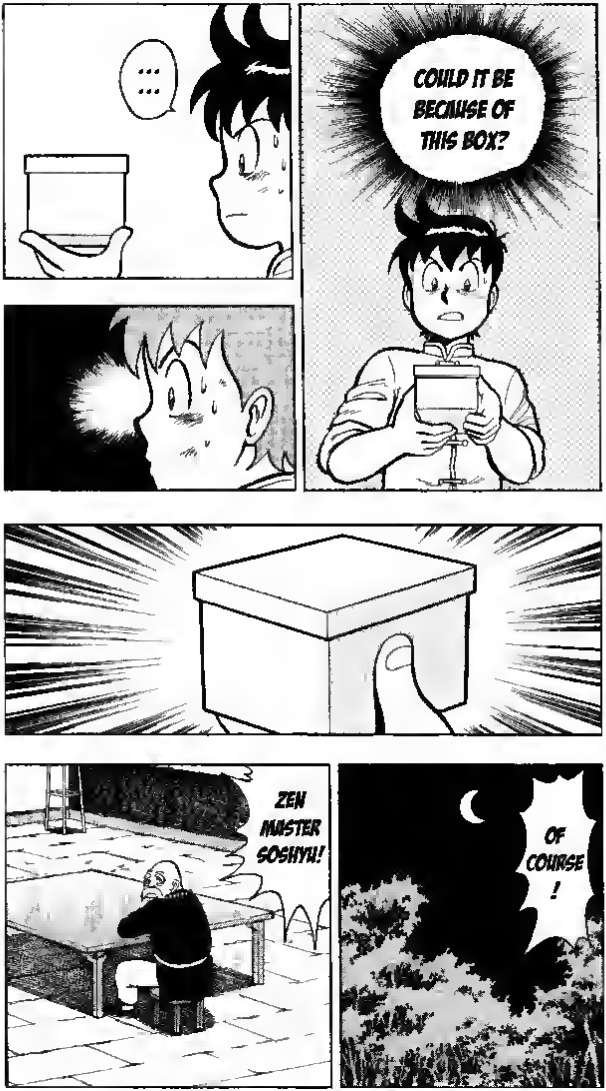
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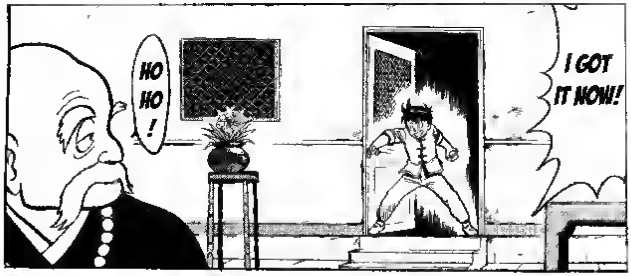
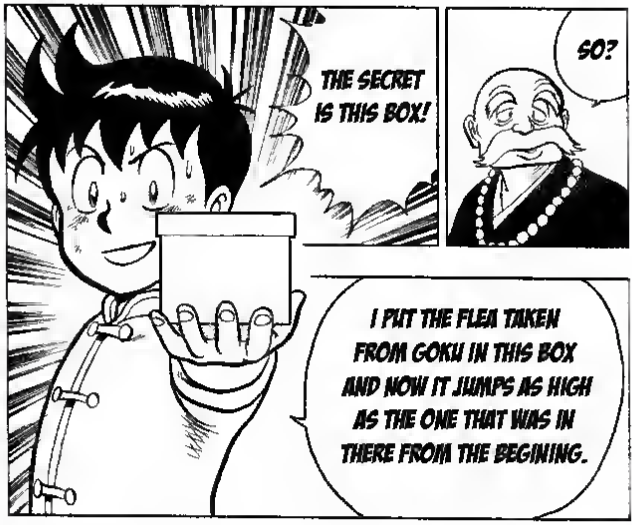
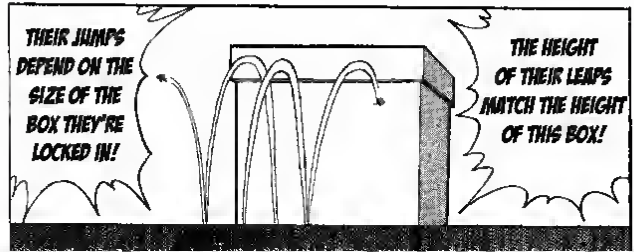
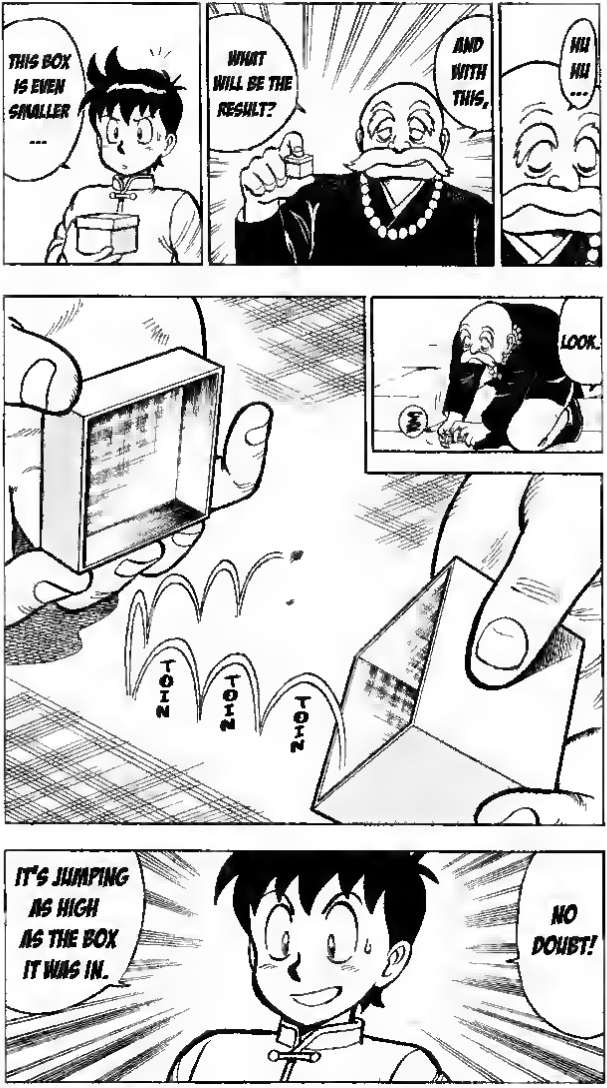
COULD IT BE BECAUSE OF THIS BOX?
ZEN MASTER SOSHYU!
OF COURSE!

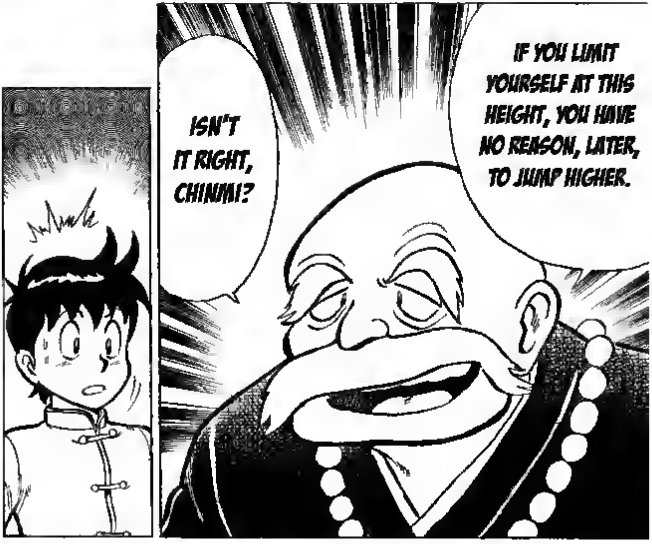

HO HO !
I GOT IT NOW!

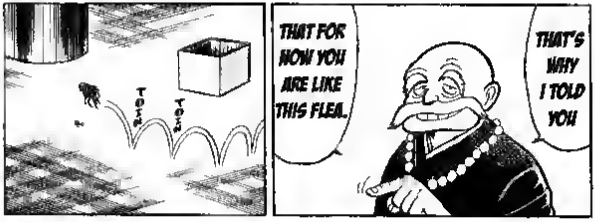

THE SECRET IS THIS BOX!
SO?
I PUT THE FLEA TAKEN FROM GOKU IN THIS BOX AND NOW IT JUMPS AS HIGH AS THE ONE THAT WAS IN THERE FROM THE BEGINING.


THEIR JUMPS DEPEND ON THE SIZE OF THE BOX THEY'RE LOCKED IN!
THE HEIGHT OF THEIR LEAPS MATCH THE HEIGHT OF THIS BOX!


THIS BOX IS EVEN SMALLER ...
WHAT WILL BE THE RESULT?
AND WITH THIS,
HU HU ...
LOOK.
TOIN
TOIN
TOIN
IT'S JUMPING AS HIGH AS THE BOX IT WAS IN.
NO DOUBT!

A COMMON FLEA CAN JUMP VERY HIGH.
EXACTLY.
IT CAN ONLY JUMP AS HIGH AS THE HEIGHT OF THE BOX.
BUT LOCKED IN A BOX, WHEN IT JUMPS, IT HITS THE COVER.
THAT'S WHY, EVEN OUT OF THE BOX, THE FLEA KEEPS JUMPING AT THE HEIGHT OF THE BOX
AND BY REPEATING THE SAME LEAPS OVER AND OVER, IT ENDS UP FORGETTING THAT IT CAN JUMP HIGHER.


ISN'T IT RIGHT, CHINMI?
IF YOU LIMIT YOURSELF AT THIS HEIGHT, YOU HAVE NO REASON, LATER, TO JUMP HIGHER.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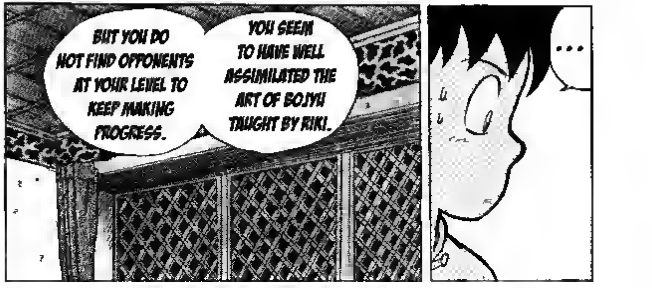
THAT FOR NOW YOU ARE LIKE THIS FLEA.
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU


BUT YOU DO NOT FIND OPPONENTS AT YOUR LEVEL TO KEEP MAKING PROGRESS.
YOU SEEM TO HAVE WELL ASSIMILATED THE ART OF BOJYU TAUGHT BY RIKI.
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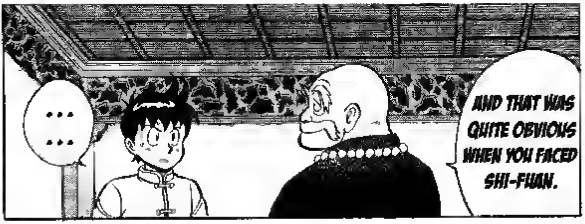
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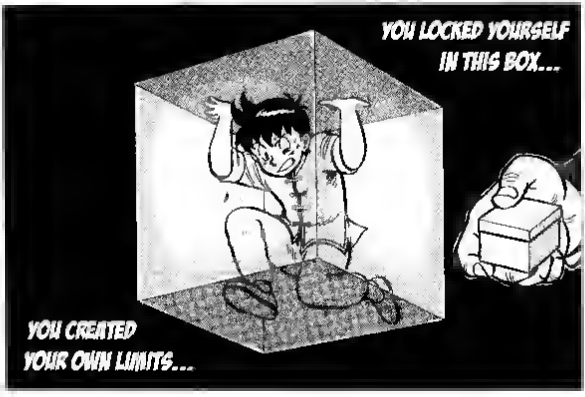
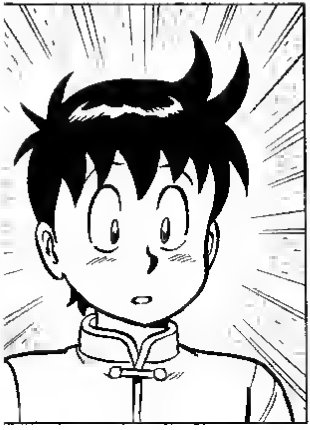
AND THAT WAS QUITE OBVIOUS WHEN YOU FACED SHI-FUAN.

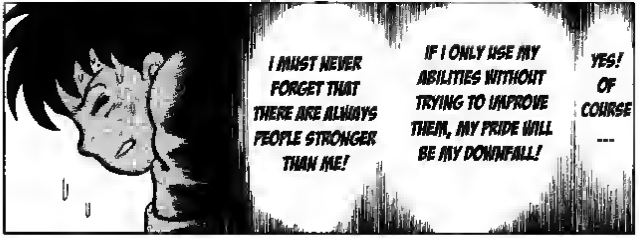

YOU LOCKED YOURSELF IN THIS BOX...
YOU CREATED YOUR OWN LIMITS...



YOU WILL BE ABLE TO JUMP AGAIN...

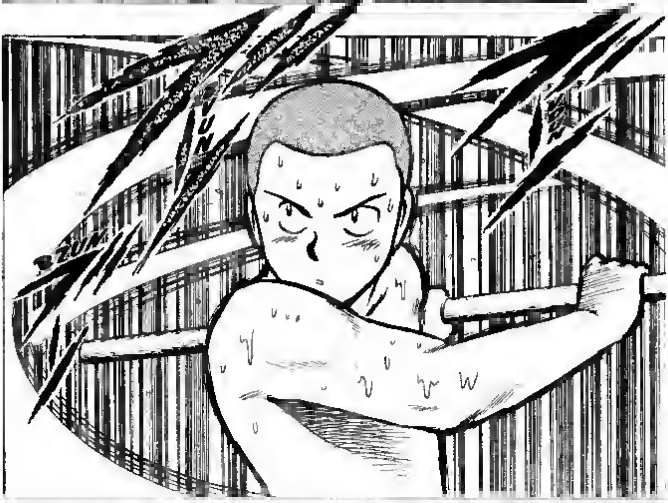
IF YOU GET OUT OF THIS BOX,

LISTEN TO ME CHINMI! IN ORDER TO DEVELOP YOUR KUNG-FU,
THIS TIME I UNDERSTAND, ZEN MASTER SOSHYU.
KLUNC
IF YOU THINK THAT THE BASIC TRAINING IS ENOUGH, YOU WILL NEVER IMPROVE YOUR KUNG-FU!!
YOU MUST NOT SET ANY LIMITS! THAT'S ESSENTIAL!


I MUST NEVER FORGET THAT THERE ARE ALWAYS PEOPLE STRONGER THAN ME!
IF I ONLY USE MY ABILITIES WITHOUT TRYING TO IMPROVE THEM, MY PRIDE WILL BE MY DOWNFALL!
YES! OF COURSE ---

CHINMI, COME LOOK AT THIS OUTSIDE.
THERE ARE NO LIMITS TO THE HUMAN EFFORT. ONE CAN ALWAYS SUCCEED BY DINT OF TENACITY.

HUH?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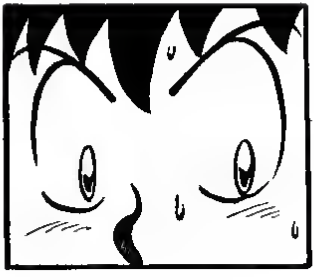
TODAY HE TRAINS HARD, TOMORROW WILL MAKE MORE EFFORTS, AND THE DAY AFTER EVEN MORE.
YOU SEE, HE IS SMALL, BUT HE IS CONVICED THAT HE CAN GET STRONGER.
SHI-FUAN ...
HE DOES THAT EVERYDAY ...
HE DOESN'T SET ANY LIMITS.
YEEES! ME TOO, I WILL DO THE SAME!
PAF !!
TO BE CONTINUED...



# THE BAND OF THE RED HAND

# OBSERVING SHI-FUAN

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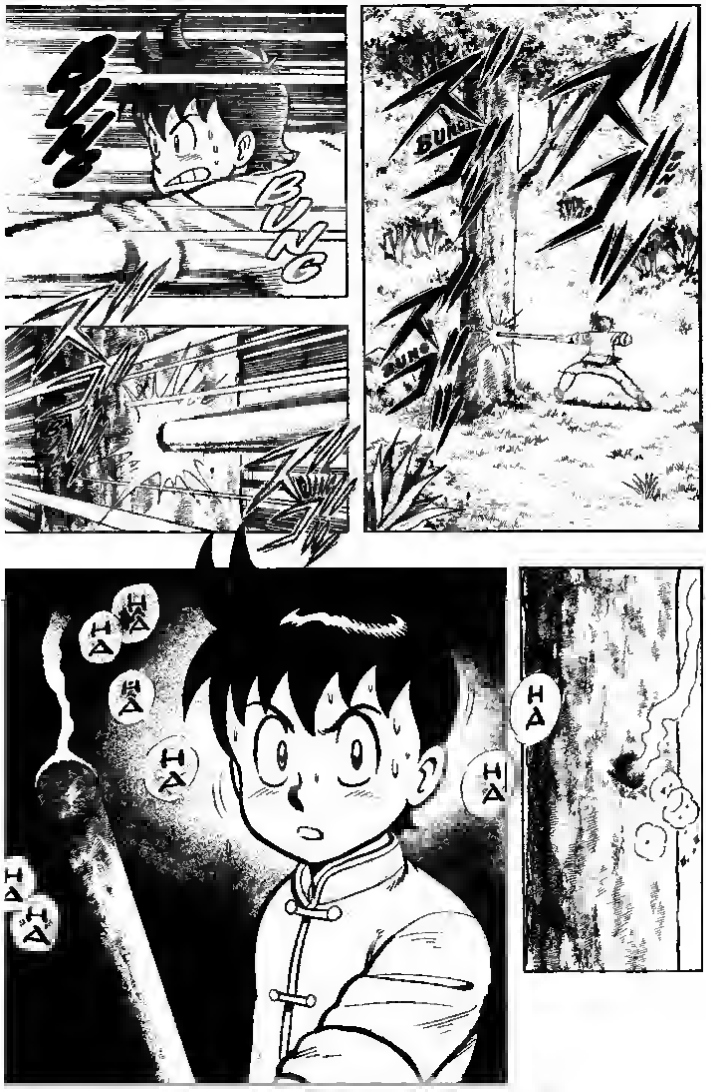
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SFHAA
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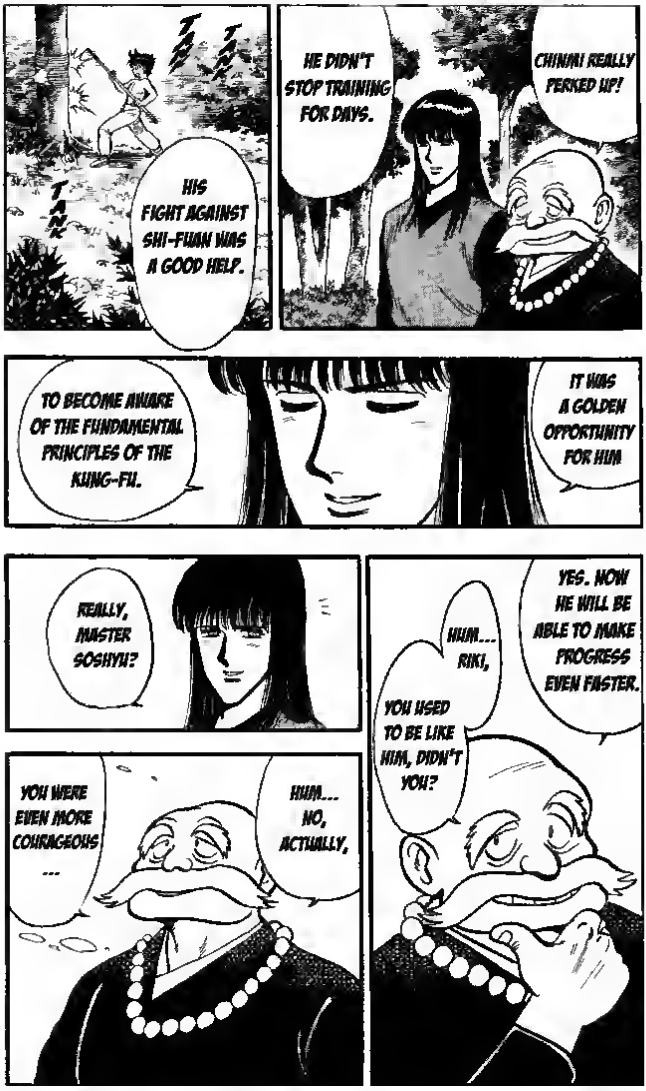
HHAAA
GRAP
HIIISS

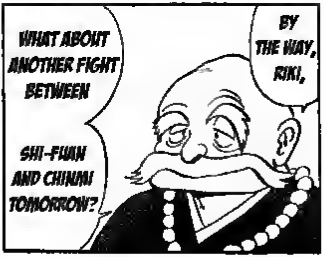
HAH!
TLOAS
WOOPS
THIS WATERFALL HAS SO MUCH FORCE!
GUUU
STHAA
BUT THAT'S NOT GOING TO STOP ME!
HAAH!

CHINMI! DON'T GIVE YOURSELF ANY LIMIT!
HAH!!
ONLY IF YOU PERSEVERE CAN YOU MAKE PROGRESS.
DON'T BE SATISFIED WITH BASIC TRAINING!

THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE STRONGER THAN ME.
NO LOOSENING UP!
COME ON! PUT SOME EFFORT INTO IT!
TFHUN!


TANK
TANK
TANK
HIS FIGHT AGAINST SHI-FUAN WAS A GOOD HELP.
HE DIDN'T STOP TRAINING FOR DAYS.
CHINMI REALLY PERKED UP!
TO BECOME AWARE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF THE KUNG-FU.
IT WAS A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR HIM
REALLY, MASTER SOSHYU?
HUM... RIKI, YOU USED TO BE LIKE HIM, DIDN'T YOU?
YES. NOW HE WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE PROGRESS EVEN FASTER.
YOU WERE EVEN MORE COURAGEOUS ...
HUM... NO, ACTUALLY,

YES, WHY NOT?


BY THE WAY, RIKI,
WHAT ABOUT ANOTHER FIGHT BETWEEN
SHI-FUAN AND CHIUMI TOMORROW?

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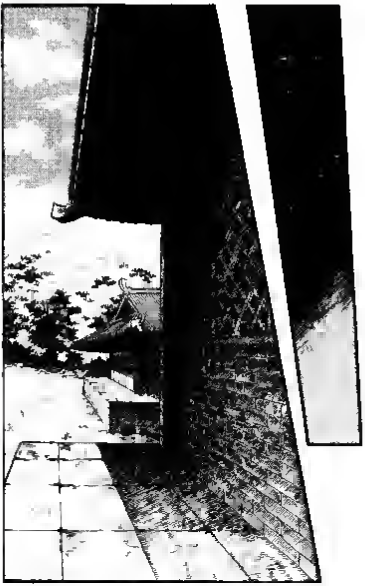
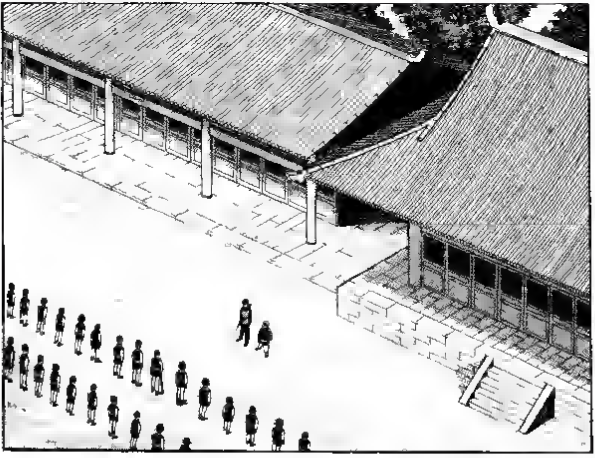
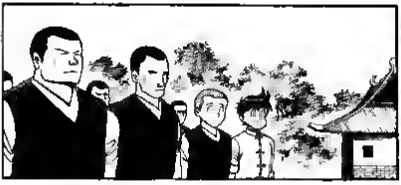


CHIN-MI!
TODAY TOO, I MUST GIVE MY ALL..
WHAT A NICE WEATHER!
H M M F F !
HELLO SHI-FUAN..
HEY!
AH REALLY? ERR... I... ACTUALLY, I WANTED TO APOLOGIZE.
YOU'VE BEEN TRAINING HARD LATELY.
ABOUT OUR FIGHT, THE OTHER TIME.
APO-LO-GIZE? WHY THAT?
YES, THANKS TO YOU SHI-FUAN.
YOU'VE BEEN A GOOD STIMULANT.

BUT I LOST MY TEMPER... AND DESPITE MYSELF... I GOT ANGRY...
I AM DEEPLY SORRY.
I WAS HEAVY-HANDED AGAINST YOU.
OH THAT ?
DON'T WORRY. IT'S NORMAL DURING A FIGHT.
AND IN THE END IT WAS A GOOD THING FOR ME.

NOW I KNOW WHY YOU'RE SO STRONG.
YOU KNOW, I SAW YOU TRAIN ALL ALONE IN THE EVENING. IT REALLY IMPRESSED ME.
AH REALLY? YOU'RE EMBARRASSING ME...
THEN I THOUGHT I HAD TO DO LIKE YOU.

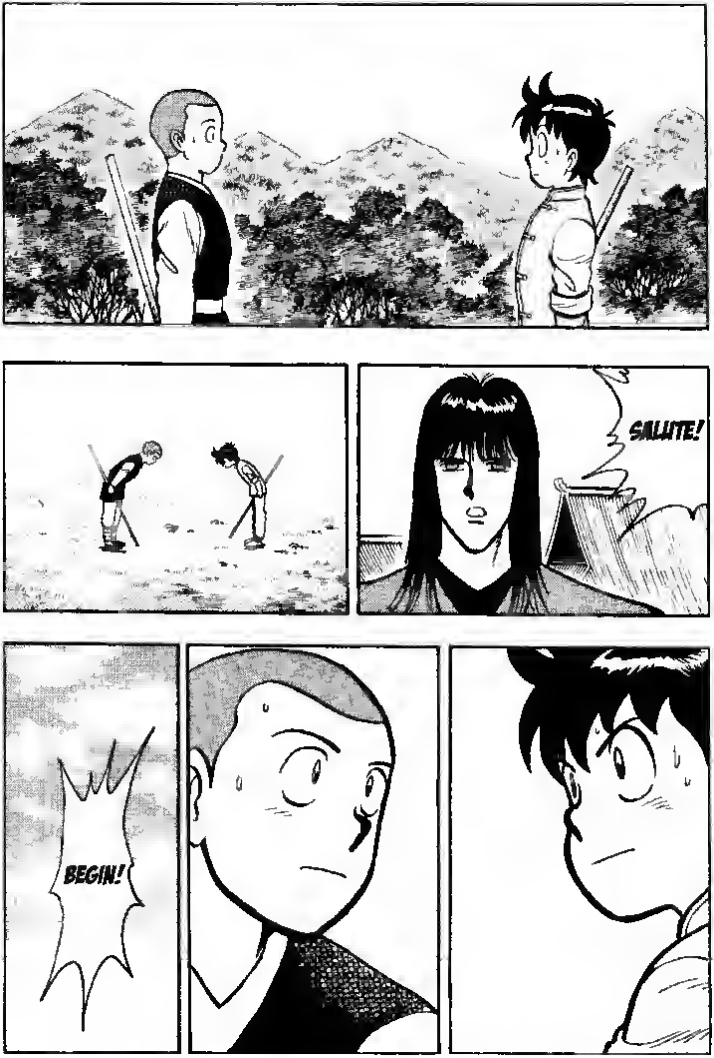




TODAY WE WILL DO A KUMITE

CHINMI, SHI-FUAN, COME FORWARD!

ERR... YES!!
CHINMI DIDN'T STOP TRAINING.
I WONDER WHAT WILL HAPPEN...
A RETURN MATCH? ALREADY?
...

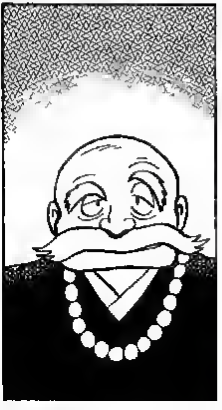

SALUTE!
BEGIN!

SU?
THIS TIME I WILL NOT BE BEATEN,
NOT LIKE THE LAST TIME!

...
...
...

IN MY OPINION, THIS FIGHT WILL NOT BE AS ONE-SIDED AS THE FIRST ONE.

CHINMI LOOKS STRONGER NOW..
THEY'RE BOTH STAYING EN GARDE.
THEY STILL HAVEN'T STARTED...



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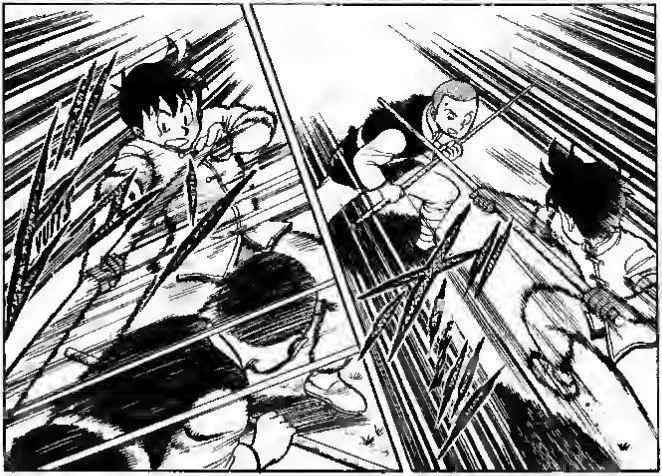

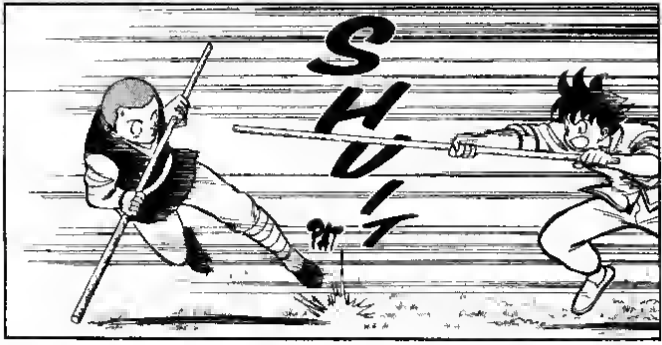
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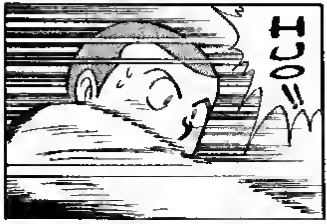
PAT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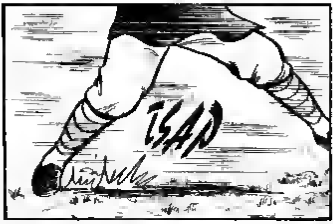
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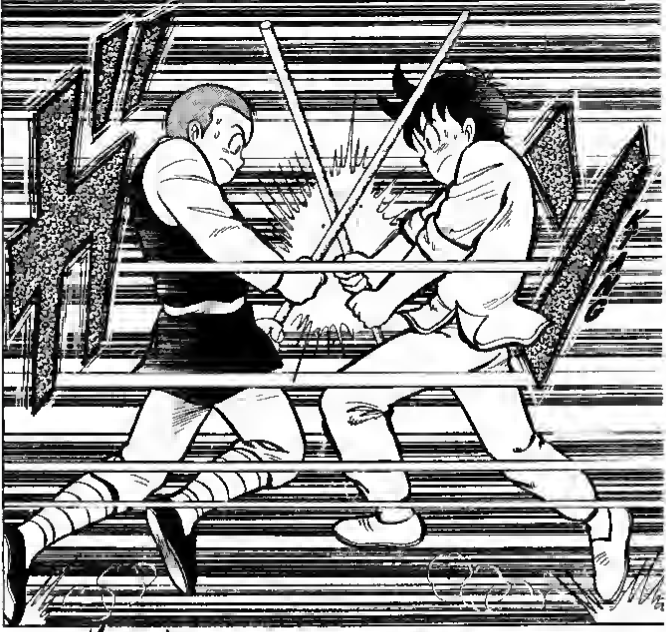
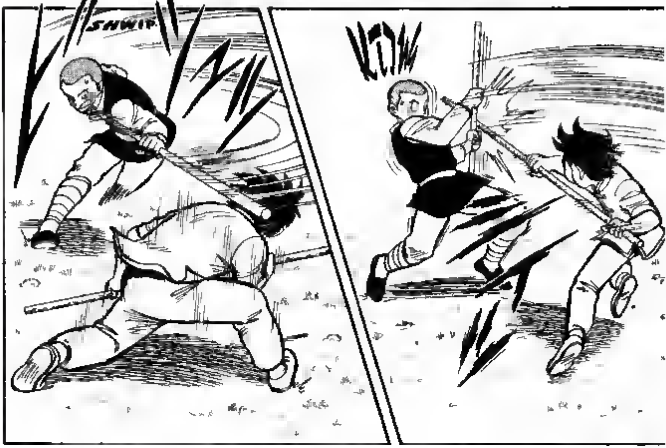
KRKRR
KYUNG!
TSA!
HA
HA
HOO
HOO




SHWIP
WOW

KTAN
KTAN
KTAN
KTAN
THEY'RE BOTH MOVING VERY WELL!
THEY'RE ON A PAR SO FAR!

HE DEFINITELY PROGRESSED.
NOTHING TO DO WITH THE OTHER DAY.
HYA !!
WAOOO!!
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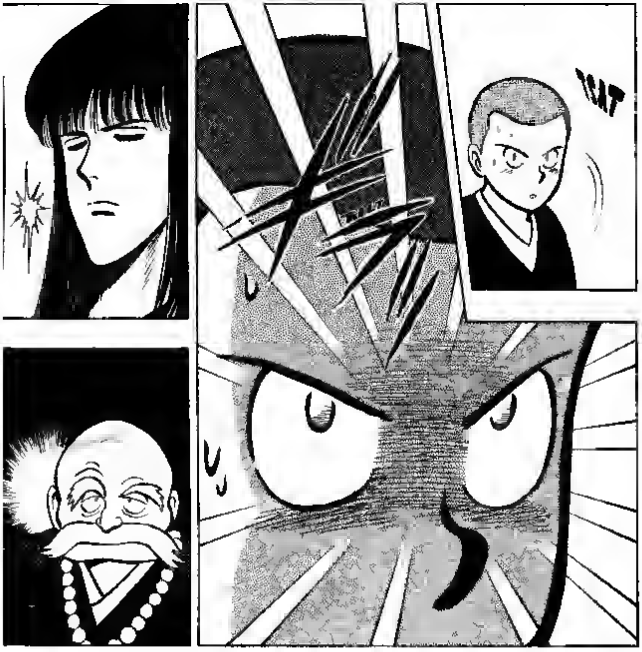
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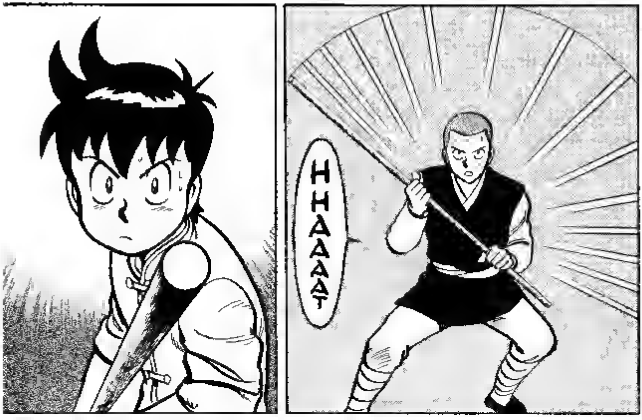
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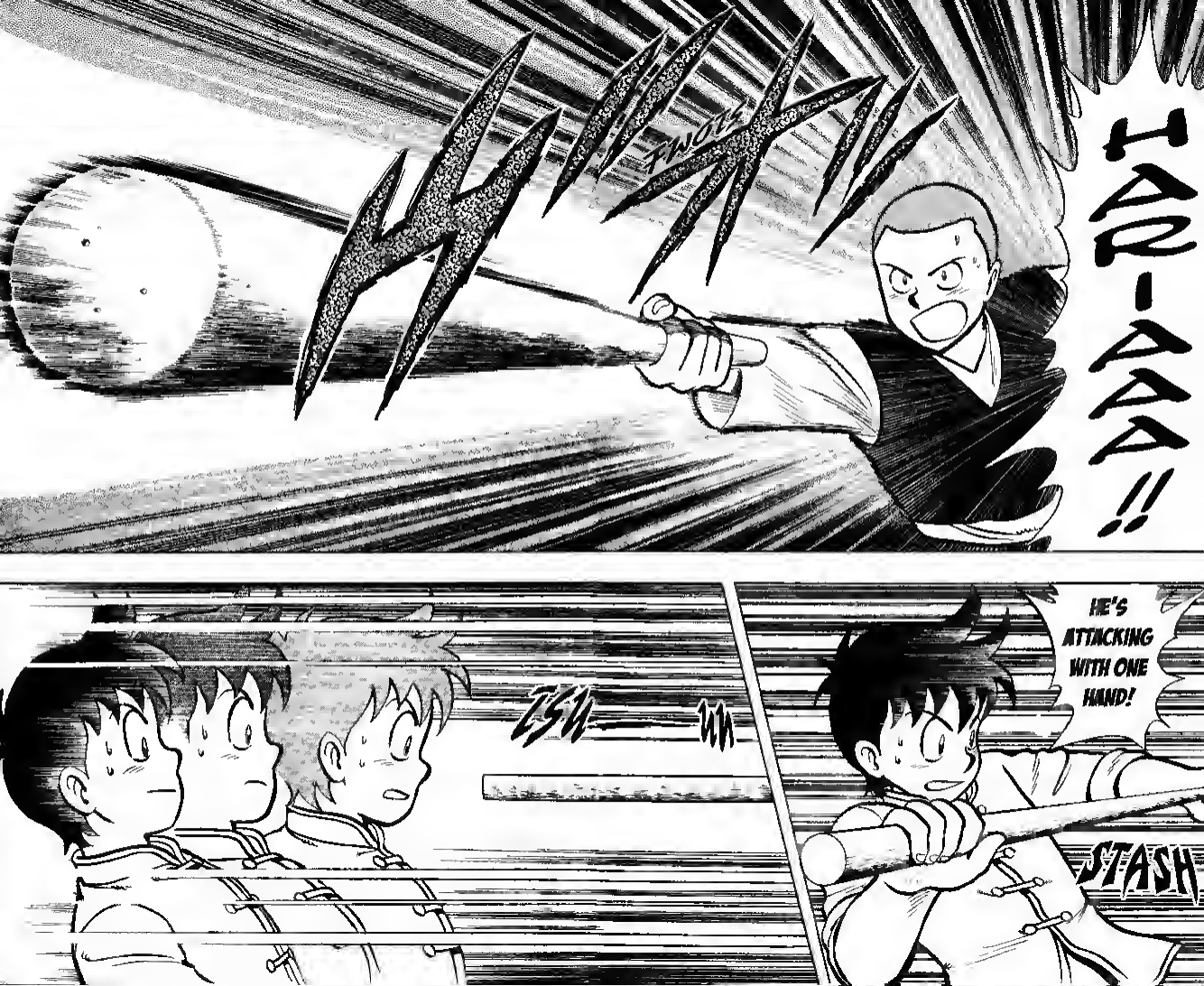
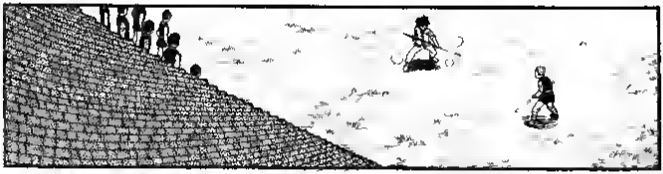

HAR-AAA!!
SWOOSH
HIT
HA
HE'S ATTACKING WITH ONE HAND!
STASH

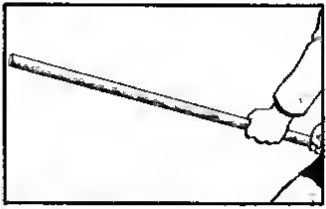
WUIN
!!
KRUN

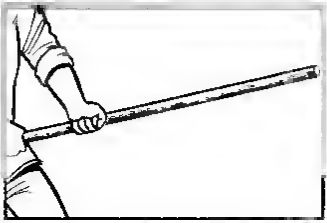
PA
NO WAY?!
...
HOW DID HE DO THAT?
HA HA
HA HA
HIS STAFF GOT LONGER!
HIS ...

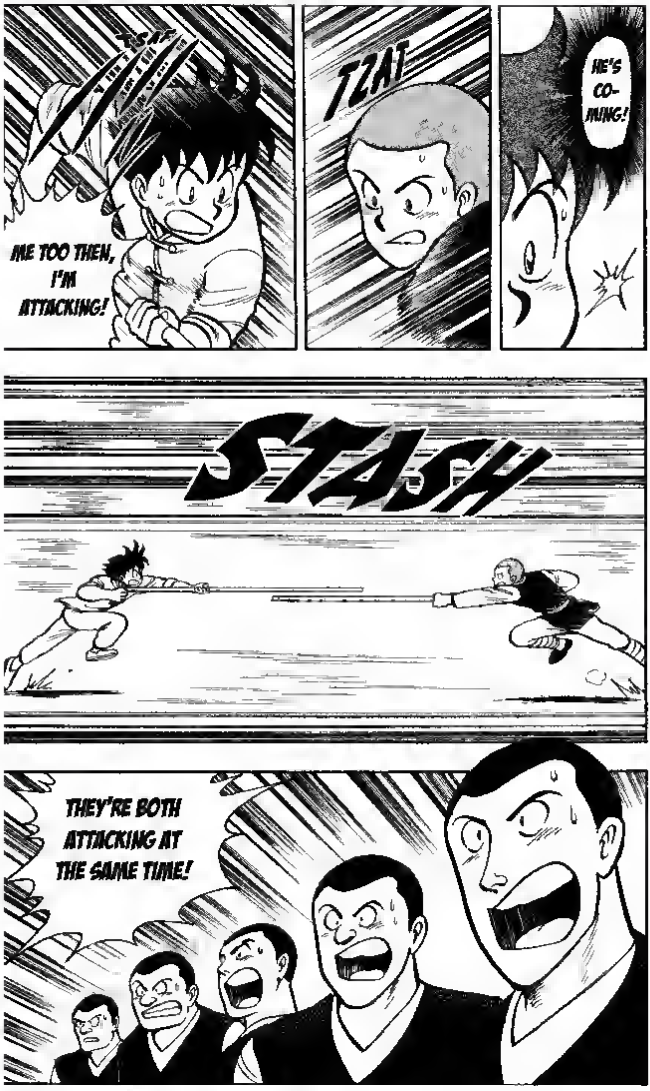
I DON'T SEE HOW IT COULD GET LONGER.
NO... IT'S AN ORDINARY STAFF...

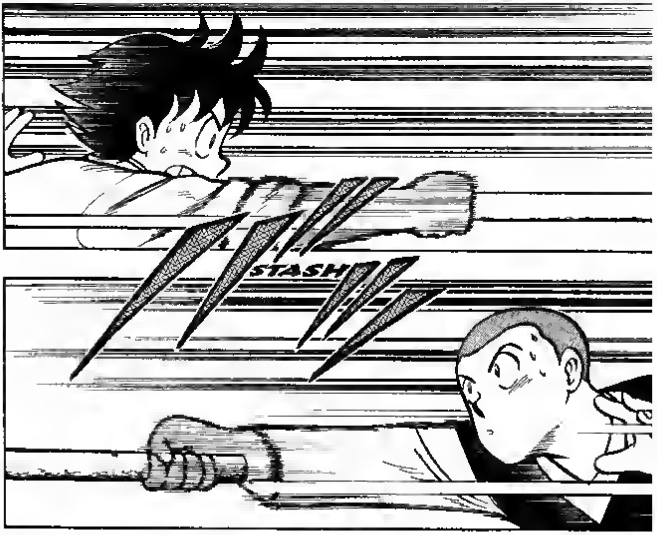


I HAVE ABOUT THE SAME REACH AS SHI-FUAN AND OUR STAVES ARE IDENTICAL...

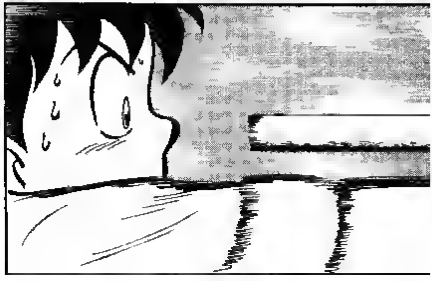


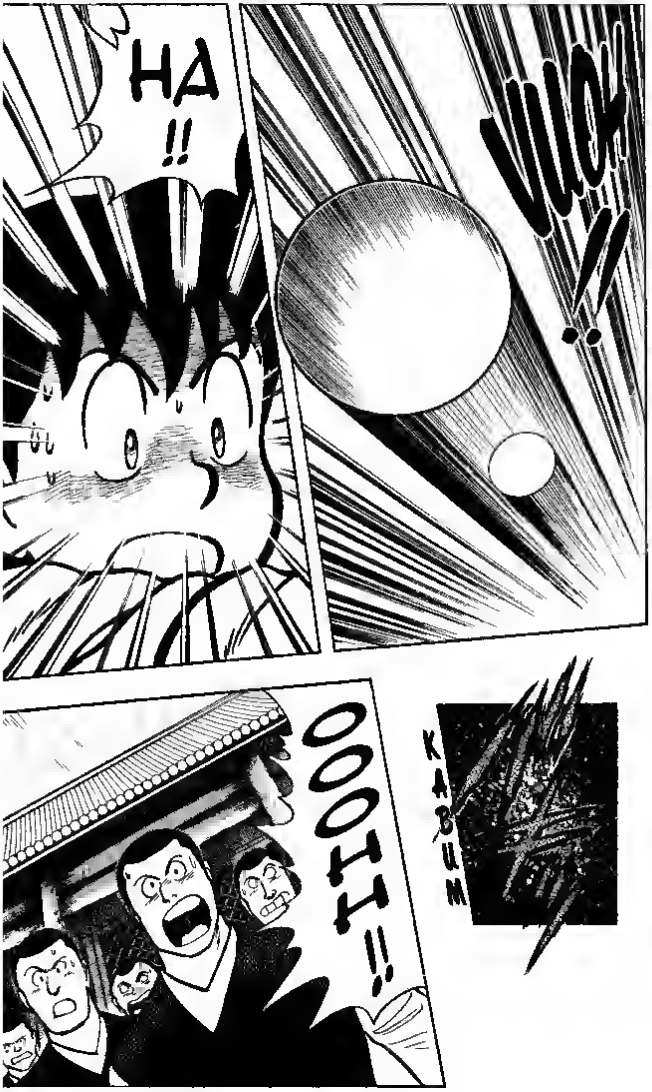



TSAT
ME TOO THEN, I'M ATTACKING!
TZAT
HE'S CO-MING!
STASH
THEY'RE BOTH ATTACKING AT THE SAME TIME!


STASH

THEY HAVE THE SAME REACTION TIME. WHO'S GOING TO WIN?




HA
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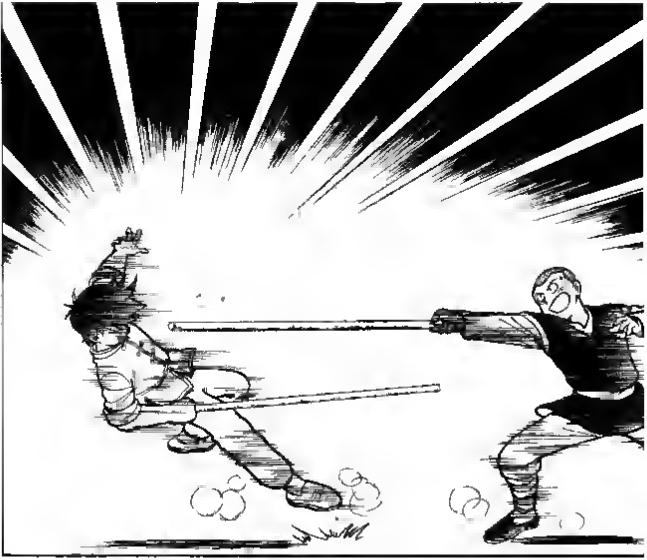
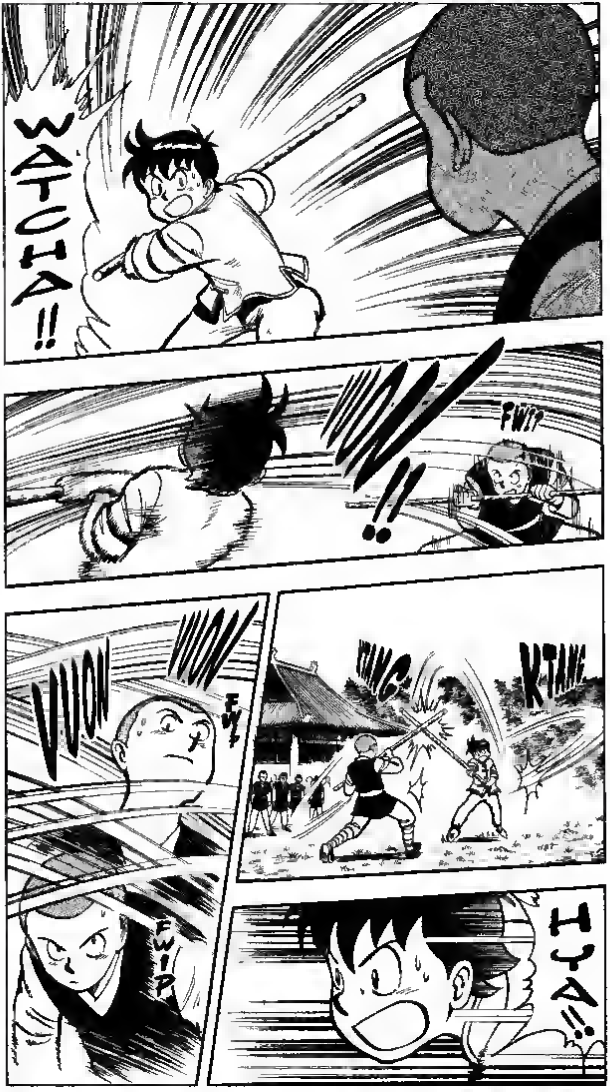
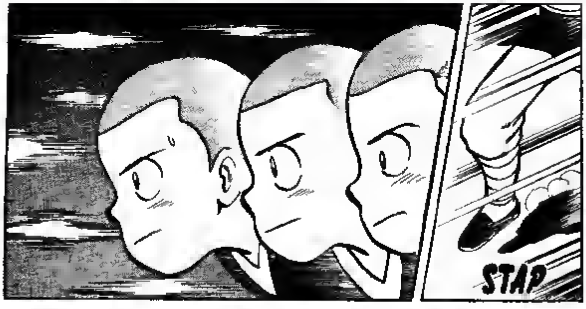
JUG
!!
KA3UM
OOOHH!!



UNBELIEVABLE...
WITH THE SAME
ATTACK!

AH ...
SPAHAH
BUT... HOW DOES HE DO IT?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, CHIKMI?
HA HA
HIS STAFF GOT LONGER SOMEWHERE AROUND HIS WRIST, I'M SURE!
I'M NOT DONE YET!


WATCHA!!
FWIP
!!
VUON
FWIP
KTANG
HYA!!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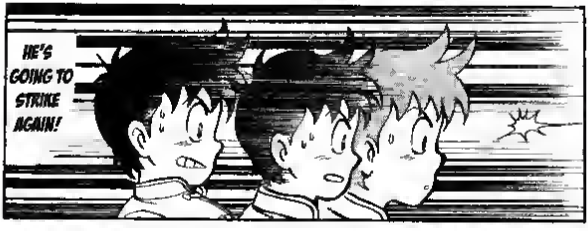
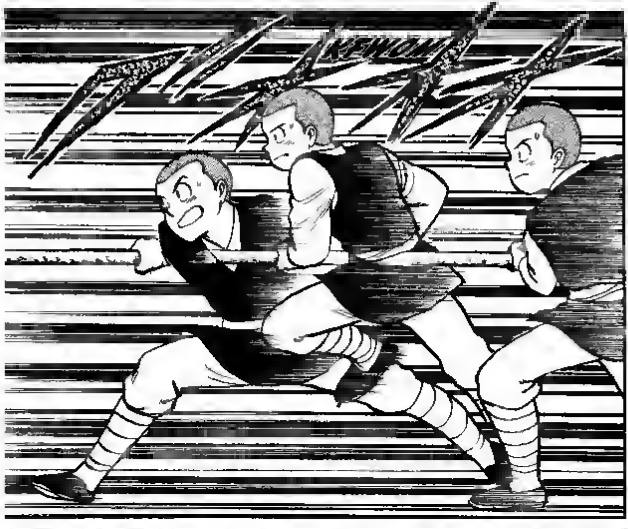

HE'S GOING TO STRIKE AGAIN!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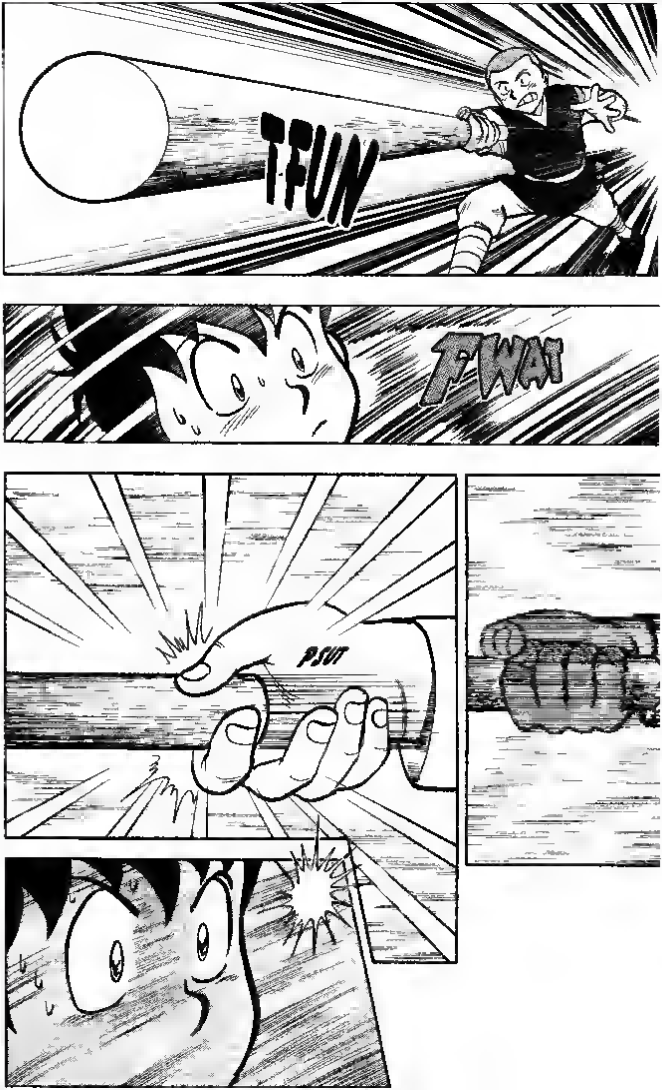
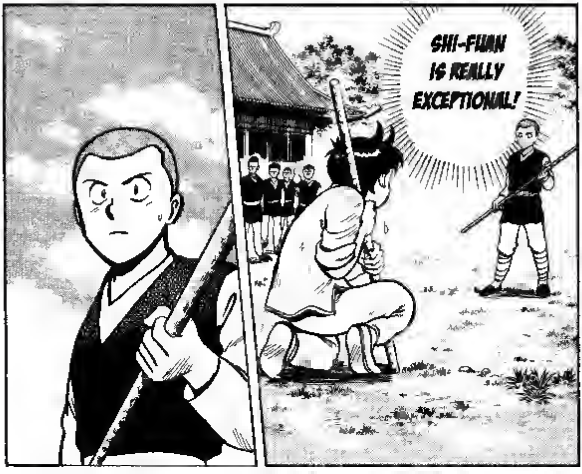

TFUN
TWAT
PSUT

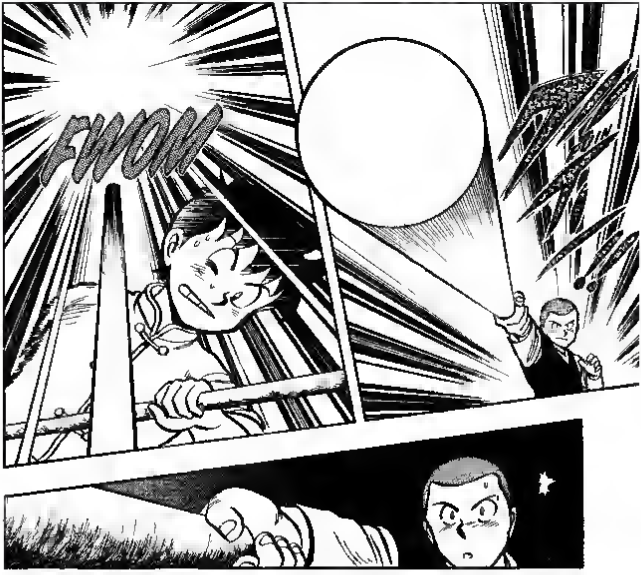
HE'S MAKING THE STAFF SLIDE IN HIS HAND TO THE MAXIMUM!
HE'S HOLDING IT WITH ONLY TWO FINGERS, BETWEEN THE THUMB AND FOREFINGER.

THAT'S WHY IT SEEMED LIKE HIS STAFF WAS GROWING LONGER!
KYAA

HA HA HA
HE CAN ATTACK WHILE HOLDING IT WITH ONLY TWO FINGERS...


SHI-FUAN IS REALLY EXCEPTIONAL!

I MUST BE ABLE TO MAKE IT FALL BY HITTING IT ON THE SIDE!
BUT IF HE'S HOLDING HIS STAFF WITH ONLY TWO FINGERS...
OK ...
STACH
T-2-A-T
IT WON'T WORK THIS TIME!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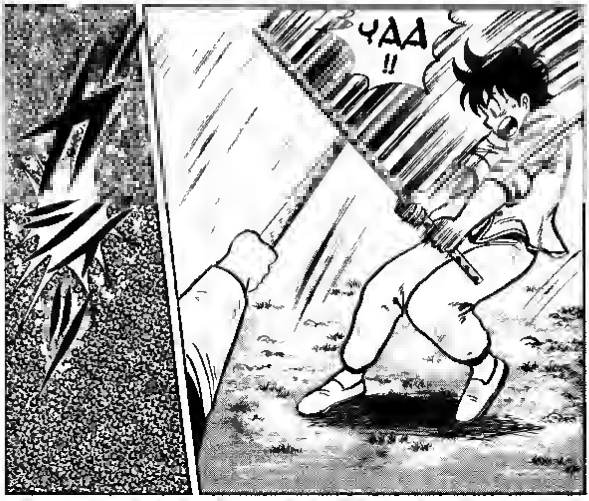
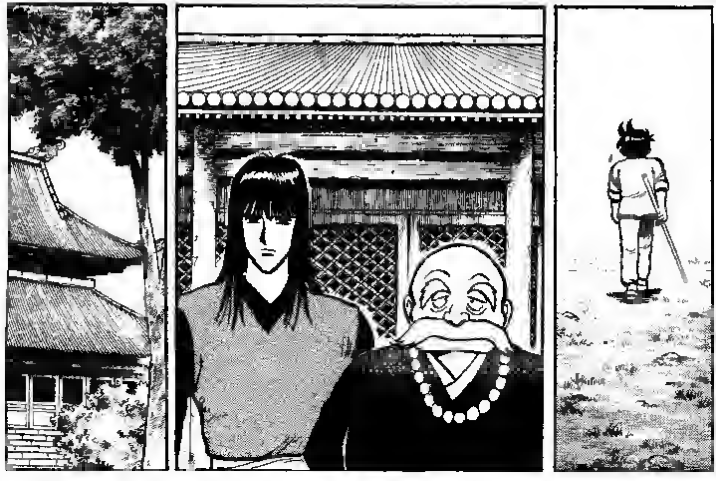

YAA
!!

FUIN
LUIN
LUIN
LUIN
WHAT?!
IT'S CHINMI WHO
LOST HIS STAFF!

I... THE STAFF FLEW OUT OF MY HANDS!
KLANG
SPIT
IT'S OVER!

WHAT A STRENGTH IN THE FINGERS!
AND MORE AGILE.
SHI-FUAN IS VERY STRONG!
YOU COULD NEVER TELL JUST LOOKING AT HIM.
CLAP CLAP



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...
HE GAVE ME A NICE BRUISE WITH HIS STAFF.
OW ...
IF I EXPECTED TO LOSE MY STAFF...
THE STRENGTH HE'S GOT IN HIS FINGERS IS IMPRESSIVE.
SHI-FUAN IS REALLY STRONG!

HEY ! IT'S WATER DUTY!
I HAVE TO BUILD UP STRENGTH IN MY FINGERS!
HOH
HOH
HOH
HAH
HAH

YESTERDAY TOO HE WANTED TO DO IT ALONE.
AT LEAST THAT'S SOMETHING LESS FOR US TO DO, BUT...
OH.
CHINMI ASKED US TO LET HIM DO IT ALONE... HE REALLY INSISTED.
THERE'S ENOUGH WATER. NOW, GO CUT SOME WOOD.
YES, ABOUT THAT...
A FEW MORE.
GRAB
HA HA HA

THUNK
GNN GN
THUNK
COME ON, IT'S NOT OVER!
THUNK

SLET
RAH!
DAMN! I FAILED AGAIN.
USING ONLY TWO FINGERS.
BOTHER...
I HAVE TO MANAGE TO DO THIS BEFORE TOMORROW MORNING...
AH, MASTER RIKI.
CHINMI.

I'M TRYING TO GET UP TO HIS LEVEL.
YES.
LIKE SHI-FUAN.
YOU'RE TRYING TO DEVELOP YOUR FINGERS' STRENGTH, AREN'T YOU?
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SHI-FUAN AND YOU DOESN'T LIE ONLY IN THE FORCE OF YOUR FINGERS.
I COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS, CHIMM, HOWEVER
...
...
BUT WHAT IS IT THEN?
EH?

BETWEEN YOU AND SHI-FUAN, THERE IS
A FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE.
YOU DO NOT
NEED TO KNOW FOR NOW.
IT'S SOMETHING SHI-FUAN UNDERSTOOD BEFORE YOU, AND THAT'S WHY HE BEAT YOU AGAIN.
AND IT'S...?

IS IT A MATTER OF TECHNIQUE ?
I WONDER WHAT THE HECK HE CAN HAVE THAT I HAVEN'T...
...
...
OHHH! HELLO.
HELLO.
OHHH
GOOD MORNING, CHINMI.
GOOD MORNING, SHI-FUAH.
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US...

FLUR
FLUR

IT WASN'T THAT EASY AGAINST YOU.
ERR ...
YOU GOT ME, THE OTHER DAY.

FLUSH

WHY ARE YOU STARING AT ME LIKE THAT?
WH... WHAT? WHAT IS IT CHIMMI?

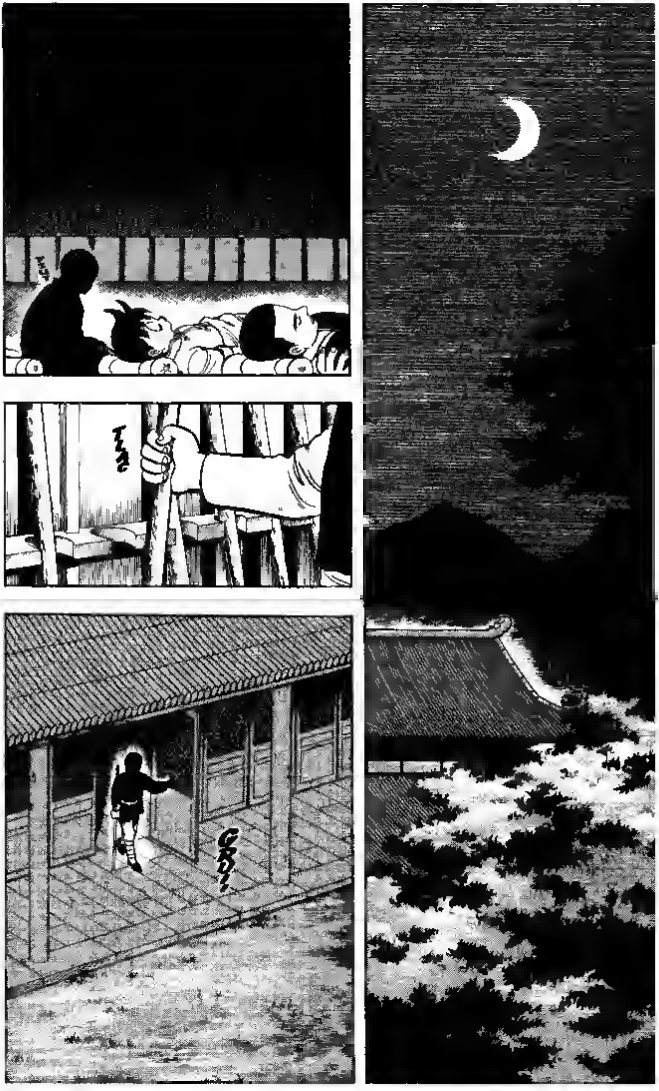
HOH
HOH
HOH
HOH
STAP
STAP
STAP
STAP
HAHA
OH...
NO, NOTHING, REALLY.
...
...
STAP
STAP
STAP
STAP
MM...
STAP
STAP

TODAY I WILL NOT LET HIM OUT OF MY SIGHT.
MUNCH MUNCH
YUM YUM
A FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIM AND ME?
SINCE THIS MORNING, YOU KEEP STARING AT ME.
CHINMI!
...
HE HE HE HE
DO I HAVE SOMETHING ON THE FACE OR WHAT?

EEH?
A GRAIN OF RICE.
YES, YOU HAVE SOMETHING.
BUT WHAT'S SO FUNNY?
AND THAT'S WHAT MAKES YOU LAUGH SO MUCH?
HE HE HE
AH!
YES INDEED.
I FEEL LIKE WE'RE ALMOST THE SAME.
WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?
I'M CONFUSED ...

BVUN!!
HAH
HAH
!!
SHYUT
*GLANCE*
I REALLY CANNOT SEE THIS FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US...
STAB
STAB

ZEN MASTER, WE FINISHED FOR TODAY.
HMM
...
...
DID YOU FIND SOME-THING?
CHINMI, YOU PRACTICED WITH HIM ALL DAY LONG.
LET'S GO, CHINMI.
YES
...
IT DOESN'T MATTER. TOMORROW TOO, DO YOUR BEST, BOTH OF YOU.
COUGH COUGH
I'M GOING TO BED.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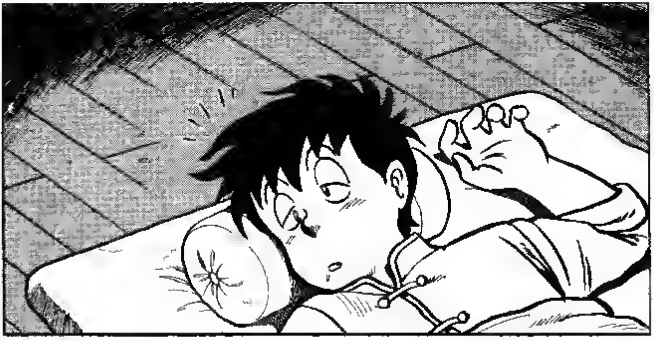

SHI-
FUAN
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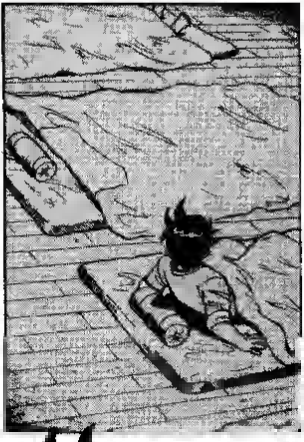
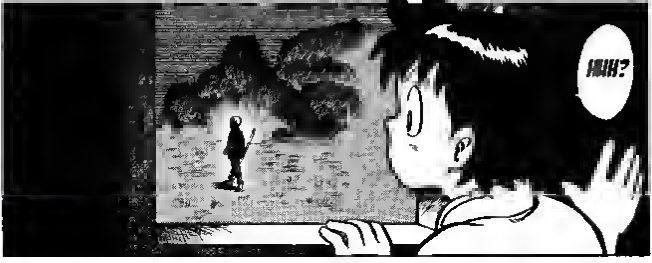
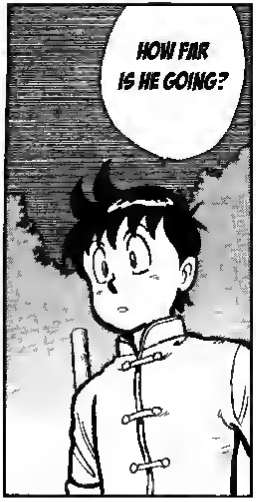
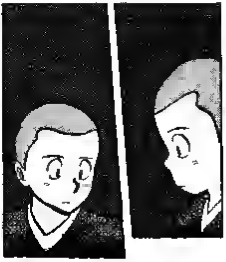



HUH?

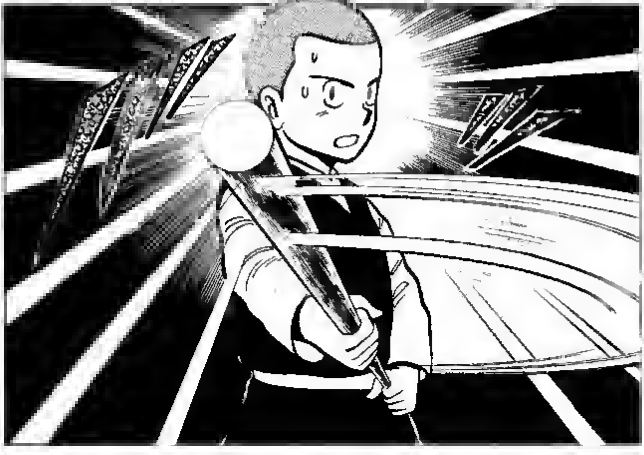
WHERE CAN HE BE GOING, SO LATE?
HM ...
WILL I FINALLY FIND OUT THE SECRET OF HIS STRENGTH ?


HOW FAR
IS HE GOING?



I'LL GET CLOSER.

WHAT IS HE UP TO?



IT'S ME SHI-FUAN! IT'S ME!
WHO'S THERE? SHOW YOURSELF!
DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT!
HUH? CHINMI?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?
I'M LOOKING FOR MEDICINAL HERBS.
I THOUGHT IT WAS SOME ANIMAL HUNTING ME.
SORRY, SORRY.

AH TOO BAD. AND I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DISCOVER YOUR SECRET.

MEDI-CINAL HERBS ?
BUT I DIDN'T FIND ANY. I'M GOING BACK NOW.

SPAT

HUH?
HA ?!
DID YOU HEAR THAT?

MY SECRET? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
NOTHING. NEVER MIND.

HEY! WHO'S THERE? DON'T STAY HIDDEN, SHOW YOURSELVES!
SOMEONE ELSE FOLLOWED YOU?
HMM ...
YOU'RE RIGHT.
CHINMI, I DON'T THINK IT'S SOMEONE.

LET'S RETURN TO THE TEMPLE!
ANYWAY, WE'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE!
BE CAREFUL! DO NOT FALL!
STATATAP
PZH
IT'S RIGHT BEHIND US!
CHINMI, AHEAD!

GRRR

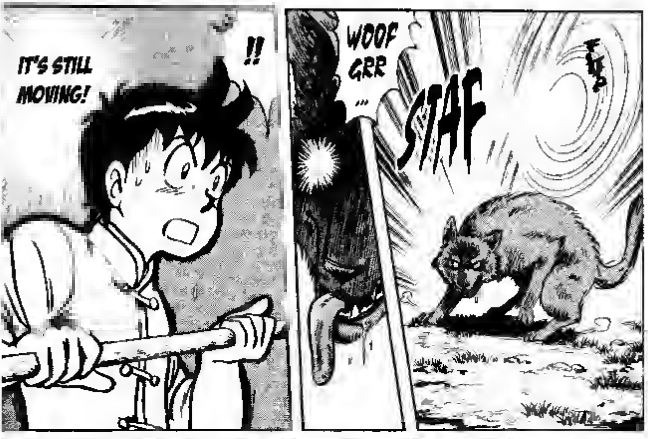
W...
WOLVES!!

THEY CAME DOWN HERE LOOKING FOR FOOD!
THEY'RE COMING FROM BEHIND TOO! WE'RE SURROUNDED!
GRRR
WE'RE STUCK!
LET'S SET OUR BACKS TO THE ROCK, TO PREVENT THEM FROM ATTACKING US FROM THE REAR.
GRRR
WOUU

WE ONLY HAVE ONE OPTION LEFT...
AWOOO
FIGHT TO THE END!
EAT OR BE EATEN!
GRRR
GRRRR

FUT
GRRR
IT'S ATTACK-ING!

GRRR
TAKE THAT!
WIRE


IT'S STILL MOVING!
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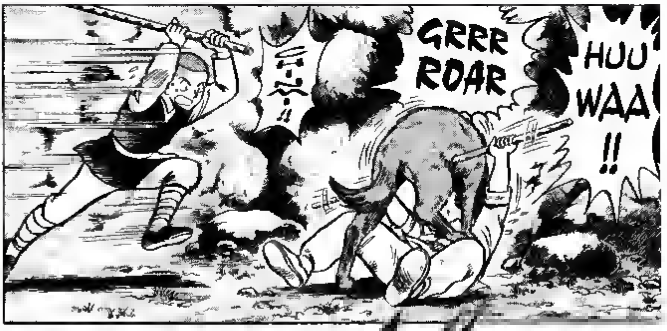
WOOF GRR ...
STAF

GROO !!
SPATAH
WURF
THUM

URR
WOF
SRUT
GRRR...
HE
WHAT ABOUT NOW?
MY ATTACKS... AREN'T DOING ANYTHING TO IT!
GROOR
GROOR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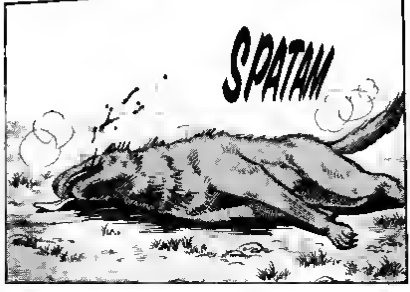
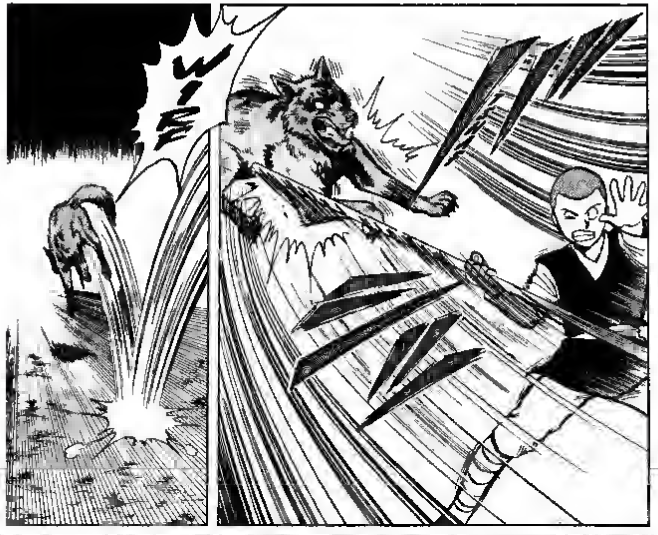
ROAR
HUU
WAA
!!

WIR
SHRT


SPATAM

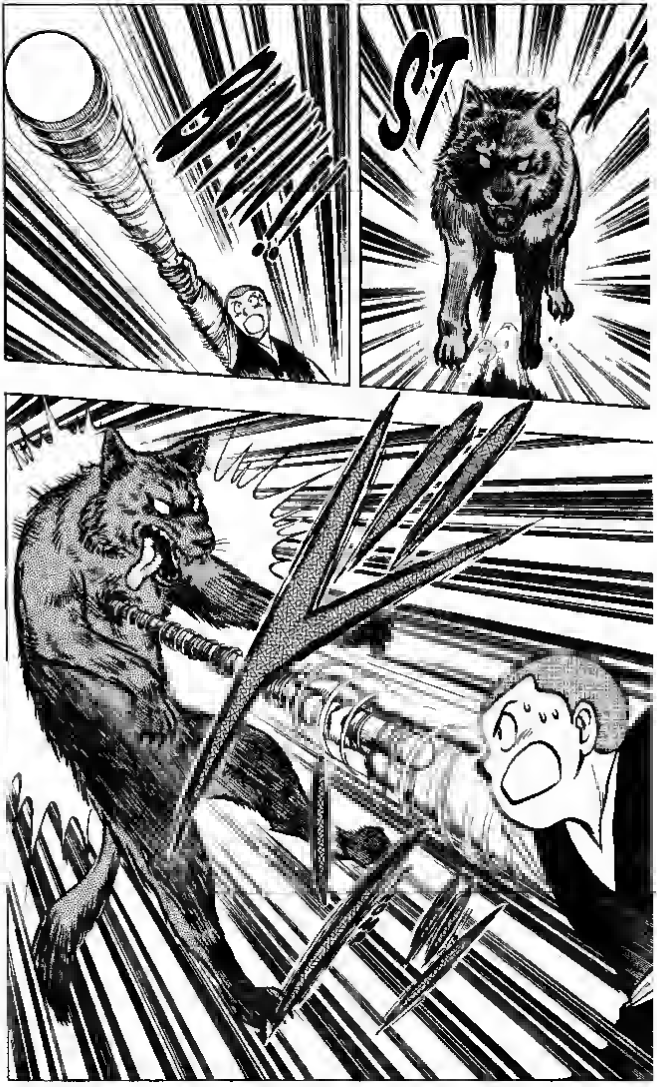
JUNG

BEHIND YOU, SHI-FUAN!
I GOT ONE OF THEM! CHINMI! HANG IN THERE!!


WIPE

WHAT A MONSTER... DESPITE BEEING HIT, IT STILL LOOKS SO FEROCIOUS!
PAT'S
HA HA HA HA
GWR GRR
STAY BEHIND ME, CHINMI.
SHI-FUAN, WE'RE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO DEFEAT IT!
HA HA

HA HA
GRRR
HAA RYAA AAH !!
FWUSH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WOOHRF
WHAT AN AMAZING STRIKE!! HE KNOCKED IT DOWN IN ONE HIT!!!
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA

HIS ATTACK HAD AN INCREDIBLE SPINNING EFFECT!
IT'S THAT EFFECT THAT INCREASED HIS STRIKING FORCE!
OUCH !!
OH, IT'S SERIOUS!
HM
CAN YOU STAND UP?
CHIKAI, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

GRR
LET'S HURRY, YOU NEED TO BE TREATED.
LEAN ON MY SHOULDER.
THANKS, SHI-FUAN.
OWCH...
GRRR
TH... THERE'S ONE MORE?
SHSH

GRRR!!
!!

GRRRL
IT'S GIGANTIC!!
AND DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS!
SHI-FUAN ...

HA HA
WOOR WORF
GLOOPS
HA HA HA
GRRL

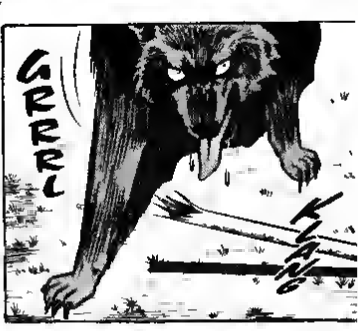
GRR
RO
ARR

HEEYAAR!!
GRRR

GRLL
ROARL
WRIK
SHI-FUAN'S SPECIAL ATTACK DIDN'T WORK!

K
RAC
GRRRR
SHRAK
MY ...
MY STAFF !!
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA

HA
HA
SHI-
FUMI
...
HA
HA
HA


GRRRL
KLANG

HE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO BEAT IT!

GRRR
SHI-LOCK!!
STAR

EARP

SHOOM
ドゴォ

HA
HA
HA
HA
PLOM

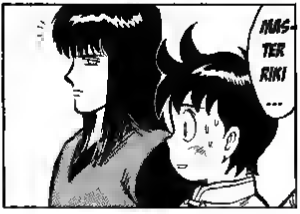
IT WAS SO POWERFUL!
THIS BOY IS REALLY AMAZING!
HE... HE GOT IT!!
SHI-FUAN!
SPATAK
FBLL
SHI-FUAN!
CHINMI!
SHI-FUAN!

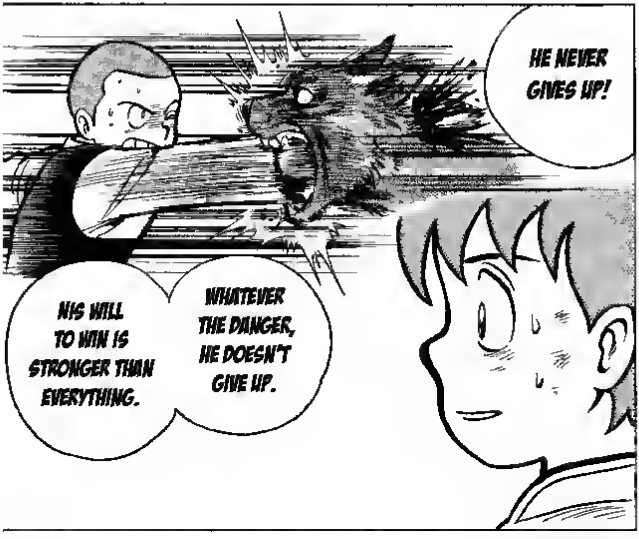
YES... BUT SHI-FUAN...
ARE YOU TWO ALL RIGHT?
YOUR WOUND ISN'T TOO SERIOUS.
HANG IN THERE!
SHI-FUAN, MY BOY!!

I... I FOUGHT LIKE YOU TAUGHT ME, MASTER...
I KEPT GOING UNTIL THE END...
MASTER SOSHYU...
OOH, YOU CAME AROUND.
YOU DID VERY WELL, MY BOY.
GOOD, GOOD.
FORTUNATELY YOU ARE BOTH UNHARMED.
SOMEONE HEARD THE WOLVES HOWLING. HE CAME TO SEE, THEN RAN TO WARN US.
CAN YOU WALK, CHINMI?
YES.

HE WAS LOOKING FOR MEDICINAL HERBS
BUT WHAT WHERE YOU DOING ON THE MOUNTAIN IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?
...
FOR ME...
SHI-FUAN !
SHH... DO NOT TALK.
MAS-TER...
I WILL CARRY HIM MYSELF.
IT'S ALRIGHT.
LET'S CARRY HIM.
WE MUST QUICKLY TREAT HIM.

THIS BATTLE AGAINST THE WOLVES ALLOWED ME TO UNDERSTAND SHI-FUUN'S SECRET.


MAS-TER RIKI ...


HE NEVER GIVES UP!
WHATEVER THE DANGER, HE DOESN'T GIVE UP.
HIS WILL TO WIN IS STRONGER THAN EVERYTHING.

WHAT SETS HIM APPART IS THIS EXTREME WILL TO NEVER GIVE UP A FIGHT.
YES, CHIMMI. YOU GOT IT.
AND DESPITE HIS FRAIL APPEARANCE, DURING HIS FIGHTS, HE REVEALS HIS REAL POWER.
WHEN HE FIGHTS, SHI-FUAN GOES ALL THE WAY. TO THE DEATH!
TO BE CONTINUED...